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## PICTURE PERFECT

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department officials said that wildflowers of all kinds have been popping up at state parks. Find out the best places to get amazing photos.

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## Midland posts highest average apartment rent in Texas

By Stewart Doreen  
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The highest average apartment rent in the state of Texas during the month of March could be found in Midland, according to the nationwide internet listing service RentCafe.

Midland reported an average of \$1,385, which was higher than Frisco (\$1,311) and Pearland (\$1,302). Those were the three communities in Texas showing an average of more than \$1,300.

Midland not only reported the highest

average rent in the state but its month-over-month growth (1.9 percent) was the highest of those communities where the rent topped \$1,000 a month. Only Odessa topped Midland with a year-over-year increase of 37.1 percent (compared to Midland's 29.9 percent increase).

RentCafe showed year-over-year increases of 38.9 percent and 35.5 percent in Odessa and Midland, respectively, during the month of February.

In terms of year-over-year increase, it was the same story over a different month, as Odessa and Midland again topped the

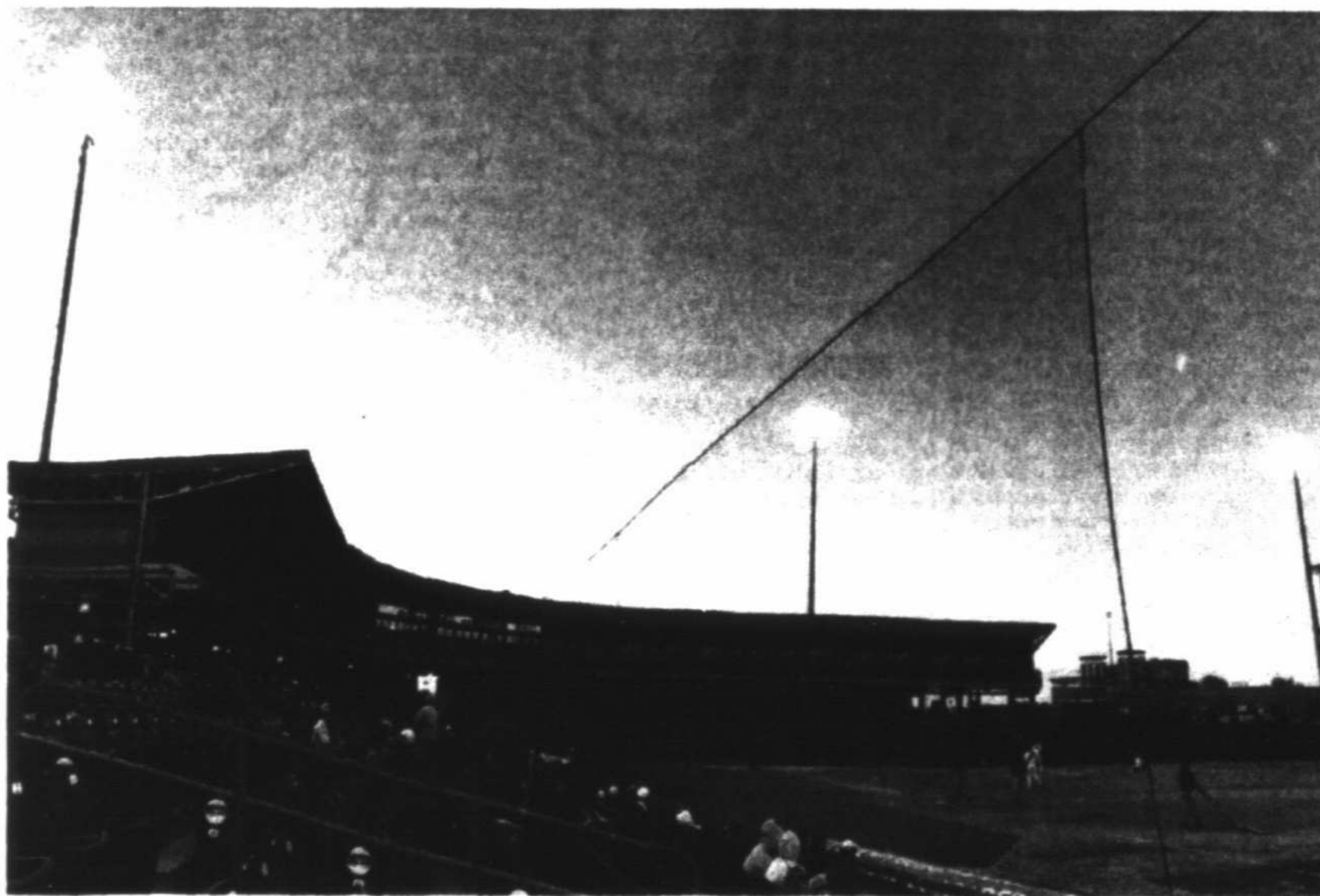
list of 250 communities nationwide in terms of year-over-year percent increase. The spread between Midland and Odessa and the rest of the nation was not close; Yonkers, New York, was a distant third at 10.7 percent.

The slowest-growing market was in Lubbock, which showed negative growth of 4.3 percent, according to RentCafe. The next slowest growing market was Norman, Oklahoma (minus 2.6 percent). Only five of 250 cities across the nation showed a year-over-year decrease, according to the report.

### Highest rents in Texas

City	Avg. Rent	Month over month	Year over Year
Midland	\$1,385	1.9 pct	29.9 percent
Frisco	\$1,311	0.1 pct	1.3 percent
Pearland	\$1,302	-0.1 pct	1.9 percent
Austin	\$1,297	0.2 pct	0.9 percent
Richardson	\$1,290	0.1 pct	-0.8 percent
Plano	\$1,253	0.1 pct	1.5 percent
Odessa	\$1,223	1.7 pct	37.1 percent
McKinney	\$1,206	0.1 pct	0.9 percent
College Station	\$1,205	0.2 pct	-0.8 percent
Denton	\$1,170	0.5 pct	4. Percent
Carrollton	\$1,146	0.0 pct	1.9 percent
Dallas	\$1,146	-0.1 pct	3.2 percent

## Working with a net



James Durbin/Midland Reporter-Telegram

Safety netting is visible during the Texas Tech baseball game against New Mexico State on Monday at Security Bank Ballpark. The netting, which protects fans from foul balls, was extended along the first and third base lines during the offseason.

## RockHounds expand netting to protect fans

Longer netting should keep foul balls, bats from the bleachers, team's general manager says

By Oscar LeRoy  
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Many baseball ballparks across the country at both the Major League and minor league levels have expanded their netting to further protect fans from foul balls and bats flying into the stands.

### Season opener

2018 season today against Springfield. First pitch is set for 7 p.m.

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The RockHounds are no exception as the organization has expanded its netting even further at Security Bank Ballpark.

The ballpark already had one of the longest nettings in the country but now the netting extends past the dugouts

to just short of the last section of seats on both sides.

RockHounds general manager Monty Hoppel said part of the reason he and owner Miles Prentice decided to expand the netting was because the seats were closer to field action by a few feet than many other ballparks.

"We started thinking, 'OK, nobody's gotten hurt but there are still foul balls that are streaming in,'" Hoppel said.

"We started talking to netting companies and some of these new ballparks that were built, and there were wider

nets that were easier to see through and the squares are different sizes.

"We did some research and there's not going to be a fan viewing issue and they're not that expensive, let's put them in."

"Unless you're in the bottom three rows of each (end) section, that's pretty much the only section not covered by a line drive," he said.

Hoppel said fan safety was the No. 1 concern, and

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## Cruz: GOP plays part in Midland's strong economy

By Trevor Hawes  
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About 100 people packed the atrium at Discovery Operating headquarters Wednesday as Ted Cruz made his Midland campaign stop, part of a whirlwind tour of several Texas cities as the incumbent senator fights to keep his seat come Election Day.

Cruz is no stranger to the oil industry, a trait he touched on when discussing how

he would help give Texas greater voice in the nation's capital on oil and gas issues. "I grew up in oil and gas," he said. "As a kid, my parents owned a small seismic data processing company. I started working in oil and gas when I was 8 years old. My dad hired me as a computer operator, paid me a dollar an hour to work at his small business."

With oil prices in the \$60s, the Permian Basin has seen an uptick in activity, which has affected not only West Texas, but the Gulf Coast, as well.

"Yesterday, I was down in Corpus Christi, which has suddenly become the largest exporter of crude in the country in just a couple of years. That's being driven by the incredible innovation that Texas energy entrepreneurs are producing," Cruz said.

The senator — who will face U.S. Rep. Beto O'Rourke, D-El Paso, in the November general election — credits part of the health of the oil industry to tax reforms passed last year in Congress.

"We've cut taxes on small business, on job creators — that's a tremendous benefit to jobs in Texas. No. 2 is regulatory reform. We're pulling back the federal

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Read highlights of U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz's visit to Midland.

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The big number

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U.S. pipeline companies have seen their electricity systems for communicating with customers shut down over the last few days. Page 5A

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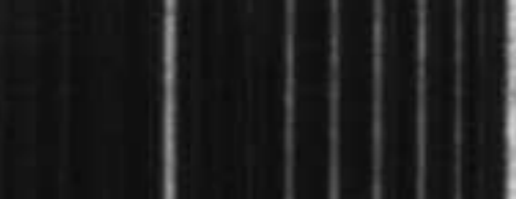
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## Obituaries

**Aaron Aten**

Aaron was 16 years old, attended Midland Lee High School, worked at Albertsons and spent his free time with family, friends and his sweetheart Jazlyn. Aaron was always quick to greet anyone that walked in the room with a hug and a smile. He was eager to please and always offered a helping hand. Aaron played the French Horn in band, was on a bowling league and could bowl a 282! He was also a black belt in Tae Kwon Do. He loved the outdoors and loved to fish, collected various items and loved to show off his new Ford pickup. He was an amazing big brother to Lillian, Becket and Connor. Aaron did not know a stranger. He always had a story to tell and was full of knowledge. He was mature beyond his years, wise and such a joy to be around. Anyone that knew Aaron, knew friendship. It was impossible to know him and not love him.

Aaron was preceded in death by his grandfather Larry Aten, great grandparents Earnest and Patsy Rodgers, Ned Clement, Otto Bo Barkowsky, Rozella Aten and Barbara Anell Pierce.

Survivors are father, Larry Jr and wife Carley Aten, mother Amanda and husband Dustin Lovell, sister Lillian Lovell, and brothers Becket and Connor Aten, grandparents, Brad and Paula Rodgers, Mark and Gay Raschke, Barron Barkowsky, Scott and Sharon Fritsch, Danny and Marva Lovell, great-grandparents Mrl Clement, Barbara Barkowsky, Billy and Hazel Lovell, and Marvin and Emily Pierce, aunts and uncles, Amber and Clint Franklin, Lee and Laura Barkowsky, Quinton and Amberly Barkowsky, April and Chris Cotton, Coby and Vickie McMorris, Danna and Jonathon Botros, Cody and Laura Fritsch, Cassie and Staggs, Clay and Fritsch, and the many cousins he had.

The family will receive guests from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Friday, April 6, 2018 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Midland. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, April 7, 2018 at Crestview Baptist Church in Midland. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland. Online condolences may be made at [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com).

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next publication day.

**Erma Irvin**

Erma Irvin Shoopman was welcomed into the open arms of Jesus on Easter Sunday, April 1, 2018. Erma was born on July 31, 1926, in Denver, Colorado to Ernest and Margaret Irvin. Two years later, the family relocated to Lyons, Kansas. Erma was the third of five children and enjoyed a wonderful childhood. Commonplace at their home was a family sing-along of gospel songs, her mother would play the piano, while her father would sing bass and all the children would join in.

Although demure in nature, Erma was an auburn-haired beauty with a radiant smile that would light up any room she entered. She loved to sing and dance. After graduating high school, Erma enrolled in nursing school in Hutchinson, Kansas. While home for the holidays, Erma met her "white knight" on a blind date arranged by her youngest sister, Eileen Irvin, and her boyfriend, Donald Bayer. The foursome would date often thereafter. Erma experienced a severe reaction to the "green soap" then used by hospital staff, which caused her to set aside her dream of being a nurse. Soon after her return to Lyons, Lloyd Hughes "Shoop" Shoopman proposed and the two were united in marriage on August 24, 1947. Shoop was employed by Mobil Oil. Even though transfers were fairly frequent, Erma loved spending time with all the "Mobil wives".

They were overjoyed with the arrival of their first child, Pamela Diane, in 1948. Three years later, David Lloyd, was born, sadly, however, he passed away two days later due to complications. Erma and Shoop were again blessed in 1954 with the birth of a second daughter, Judith Lynn. In 1966, Shoop was transferred to Midland. Construction of their new house had just been completed when they received word that Erma's father had passed. Soon after returning from the funeral, Erma celebrated her 40th birthday. Three weeks later, her beloved Shoop passed away. The following year, Erma began a 21-year career with the City of Midland. She retired in 1989. Erma was a member of First Baptist Church since 1966. She

loved the many friendships she made, especially the ladies in her Sunday School, the Lydia Department. Almost four years ago, Judy and Randy welcomed Erma into their home. She was very happy there and often said, "I like being spoiled", to which Judy would reply, "You deserve to be spoiled." She remained with them until her passing. Preceding Erma in death were her husband, "Shoop", infant son, David; parents, Ernest and Margaret Mae Irvin; brother, Claude Irvin, and two sisters, Norma Koch and Vera Burfield. Survivors include her daughters, Pamela (Joe) Robertson of Tyler, Texas, and Judith (Randy) Overbeck of Midland; her youngest sister, Eileen Bayer of Pawnee Rock, Kansas; grandchildren, Scott (Christy) Robertson of Friendswood, Texas; Lori Farris Alsop of Midland; Julie Robertson of Vista, California; Sheila Browning of Victoria, Texas; Christi (Grant) Mays of Richland Springs, Texas; great grandchildren, Tyson Robertson, Briggs Alsop, Brady Alsop, Blake Robertson, Augustus Browning, Libby Mays, Nolan Mays, Emily Mays and Molly Mays.

We wish to thank the many family members, friends and neighbors who visited Erma in recent months. She loved each occasion. The family will receive friends from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. on Thursday, April 5, 2018, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home of Midland. A funeral service will be held at 10:00 A.M. Friday, April 6, 2018, at First Baptist Church-Chapel. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions be made to the First Baptist Foundation or the Midland Memorial Hospital Foundation.

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**Frances Roberts****Pavlovic**

Frances died in Houston after a long decline due to Alzheimer's disease. She and her husband, Pav, lived in Midland from 1960 to 1972 and moved to Houston when Mobil closed their Midland office. Frances was born in Birmingham, AL to Lou Teris Sayers and Albert Lee Roberts, but her parents died before she was 15. While in high school, she lived with her older sister and her family and graduated from high school at age 16. She went to Alabama College (now Montevallo University) and graduated with honors in retail economics and art. Frances was president of her freshman class and in 1942 received the Loveman Scholarship in retailing.

Frances met her husband, Robert "Pav", while working as a secretary at the Tennessee Valley Authority in Bryson City, NC. She was the new girl at Pav's boarding house. They married in 1944 when Pav got a job as a geologist for Mobil Oil and moved to Mississippi where their first three children were born. In 1950 they moved to Texas and lived in Kerrville, San Antonio, and Midland. After Pav retired, they spent years traveling between Houston and Ohio, where

Pav grew up, all the while caring for Pav's mother for many years.

Frances was the consummate volunteer, but scouting was her first calling. Besides being a Leader, she was a Volunteer Trainer and was awarded the very special Thanks Badge and she taught her children to be just as industrious. Creativity and love of nature were passions Frances nurtured. She loved to sew and would remake things she found at garage sales into something unique for herself and others. She would sew costumes for the Midland Community Theatre when her daughter, Emily, was in a play.

After her children left home, she volunteered to help in the pilot program of Head Start. When she left, it was said they had to hire three people to replace her. Her experience with Head Start awakened her passion for politics, and she became more involved in the democratic process and in the Democratic Party in particular. She was constantly communicating her views to her representatives and was active in the League of Women Voters and the American Association of University Women.

Although raised a Southern Baptist, when Frances and Pav moved to San Antonio, they joined the Unitarian Church and raised their children to believe that everyone should be allowed to believe whatever they wished. In Houston, she was active in the First Unitarian Church Fannin congregation. She was in charge of the church's Chancel Decorations for many years and was known to knock on the doors of friends and strangers to request greenery donations. Through their church, she and Pav were able to sponsor two refugee families.

Frances and Pav were married 63 years. When Pav died in 2007, Alzheimer's Disease accelerated its cruel damage. Frances said she was "getting dumber and dumber every day." Her devoted children and caregivers enabled her to stay in her home for five years after her husband's death. Her last five years were spent with Com For Care, a group home organization of loving nurses and aides who allowed her to live in a home-style environment.

Frances is survived by five children: Teris Stephens and her husband Robert of Alaska, Marcia Roberts of California, Norma Rossel and her husband Greg of Maine, Jason and his wife Lucy of Colorado, and Emily Chiles and her husband Jerry of Houston, and her devoted nephew, Don Houze of Georgia. She is also survived by seven grandchildren and four great grandchildren who live in Alaska, California, Colorado, and Maine. Predeceasing Frances are her husband, Robert "Pav", and her infant daughter, Ellen Amory as well as her sister, Lazelle Roberts Houze, her brother-in-law Foster, and her niece, Dorothy Lourd.

Services will be held at First Unitarian Universalist Church of Houston 5200 Fannin Street Saturday, April 7, 2018 at 3:00 P.M. A Flower Offering will be held during the service, but Frances requested that no commercially grown flowers be used. Donations may be made to the church's building fund or the charity of your choice.

**John Millwee**

This Easter Sunday we lost another member of the greatest generation, our loving husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather, John Finis Millwee, just shy of his ninetieth birthday.

He was born June 23, 1928 in Pioneer, Texas to Samuel Summit and Nettie Mae (Waterson) Millwee. As a child he lived in numerous West Texas towns and Phillips camps including Crane, Goldsmith, Odessa and graduated high school in Hobbs, New Mexico. John served his country proudly as a veteran of the United States Army and served as a paratrooper in the 11th Airborne Division in Japan during World War II earning Japan World War II Victory Medal, Army of Occupation Medal, Glider Badge and Parachutist Badge. After the war he returned home and graduated from Texas Tech University in 1951 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Petroleum Geology beginning a long legacy of Red Raiders "Wreck 'em Tech".

He met the love of his life Jo Ann Lemaster and married her in her parent's home January 6, 1953 in Odessa, Texas. The couple recently celebrated their 65th anniversary. Their union produced two daughters Lynda Millwee Krol and husband Walter John Krol and Sandra Millwee Jordan and husband Daniel Loyd Jordan.

John's legacy includes six grandchildren Stephanie Krol McCurdy and husband Michael Lewis McCurdy, Jonathan Hayden Jordan, Michael Joseph Krol, Matthew Nathaniel Jordan, Alexander John Krol and Victoria Danielle Jordan all of Midland. He also has three great grandchildren Blake Elliott McCurdy, Gunnar Michael McCurdy and Piper Olivia McCurdy.

He was a 31 year member of Midland Country Club joining in 1987. John was an avid golfer always ready to play in the gangster or in a tournament with all his golfing buddies. He was also a long time member of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association. After graduation from Texas Tech University he worked as a geologist for the late Mr. Fred Turner and the Turner Estate managed by Lynn Durham and Clarence Scharbauer II for a total of 25 years. In 1972, John and wife Jo Ann formed Lyn-San Company named in honor of their daughters and also remained president for 38 years until his death April 1, 2018. John and Jo Ann have made Midland their home for the past 65 years.

John was preceded in death by his mother and father his brothers Samuel Edsel Millwee, Williford Jay Millwee and his sister Ella Louise Millwee Granath. A private family service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to a charity of your choice. Arrangements are under the

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**Myrtle Ann****(Walters) Erwin**

Myrtle Ann (Walters) Erwin passed away on March 23, 2018 at her home in Midland Texas following a lengthy illness. She was the daughter of the late Loy and Mary Walters of Odessa Texas, and wife of the late Gerald Erwin of Midland Texas.

Myrtle was born in El Paso, Texas, August 26, 1943 and grew up in Odessa Texas and graduated from Odessa High School. Myrtle and her late husband resided in Midland since 1975. Myrtle thoroughly enjoyed visits from her family and friends - all of whom loved her dearly.

She loved spending time with family and friends and was always the life of the party. Myrtle and Gerald devoted all their years together to serving their family as well as raising greyhounds. She always felt blessed to be surrounded by friends and family as those were always the most important things to her. She left a lasting impression on everyone she met and will be missed tremendously. Myrtle is survived by her son, Clay Erwin and her daughter, Paige Erwin McPherson of Midland, TX; four grandchildren: Katie Erwin of Odessa, TX; and Claire, Ashlynn, and Kenley McPherson of Midland, TX. Myrtle is also survived by her brother, Martin Walters of Odessa, TX and her sister, Patricia Walters Kirk of Heath, TX. She was predeceased by her brothers Loy (Sonny) Walters and Jerry Walters.

Interment for Mrs. Erwin will be held Friday April 6, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at American Heritage Cemetery in Midland, Texas.

Memorial donations in memory of Myrtle can be made to Hospice of Midland.

**Death Notices****Malvin Clinton****Wilson**

Melvin Clinton Wilson, 75 of Midland, Texas passed away on April 4, 2018 in Lubbock. There will be a visitation on Friday, April 6, 2018 from 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. at Ellis Funeral Home. A funeral service will be held in the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 7, 2018. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

**EDUCATION BRIEFS**

FROM STAFF REPORTS

**Education Impact Series event set for today**

The Abell-Hanger Foundation presents its next Education Impact Series Event — Celebrating Champions of Education — 5:30 p.m. today at Stonegate Fellowship.

Educate Midland is also a presenter in the event, which will feature guest lecturer and education consultant Tim Brown.

"This event is free and open to the public and will offer resources not just for teachers and school staff but also other unsung champions of education," said Educate Midland Executive Director Pervis Evans. "From food service personnel to day care providers

and parents, we want you to come. Tim Brown's lecture and discussion will be insightful and inspiring."

Brown has 28 years of experience in education as principal of elementary, middle and high schools in Missouri.

Registration is required, and dinner will be provided to all registered guests. A person can register at [www.educatemidland.org](http://www.educatemidland.org) or by calling 432-818-2620.

**MISD: San Jacinto open to sixth-grade enrollment**

Based on projected enrollment for San Jacinto Junior High for the 2018-19 school year, Midland ISD is able to open additional seats for interested sixth-graders from

across the city, according to the district's Facebook page. Those interested will need to fill out an application.

Fifth-graders at San Houston Elementary will receive automatic enrollment into San Jacinto Junior High. Parents, however, will need to complete a form as verification a child will attend San Jacinto Junior High as a sixth-grader for the 2018-19 school year.

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**NET**

FROM 1A

because they have a few kids' days at the ballpark, the netting expansion made sense.

"You can get hit by a pop fly over (the net) but now you're not going to get hit by a line drive, at least not in the seating section," Hoppel said. "I

think this might be the longest net in baseball. I haven't heard of anybody going this far."

Hoppel said that the netting is all brand new and the city of Midland helped with the cost and the decision to install it.

Fans who attended Tuesday night's game between Texas Tech and

New Mexico State were the first to experience the expanded netting, and Hoppel said he didn't hear any complaints.

"You can see through it and they may not even know it wasn't there last year," he said.

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Comic Con festivities



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Permian Basin Comic Con, which was March 16-18, featured guest artists, vendors and contests.

Things to do

Midland Volunteer Networking Mixer: Learn about volunteer opportunities in Midland, 5 p.m., FirstCapital Bank of Texas, 310 W. Wall St.

Traeger Barbecue Classics Shop Class, 5-9 p.m., Westlake Ace Hardware, 1004 Andrews Highway. Pitmasters will provide interactive instruction to take barbecuing to the next level.

Author Signing: William Matson will sign copies of his book "Crazy Horse: The Lakota Warrior and Legacy" and discuss the subject with members of the Edward Clown family who are the nearest living relatives to the historical figure, 5:30 p.m., Barnes and Noble Booksellers, 2617 W. Loop 250 N. barnesandnoble.com

Gratitude, Compassion and Forgiveness class by the Lifestyle Medicine Center, 6 p.m., Midland Memorial West Campus, 4214 Andrews Highway. \$5. eventbrite.com. Space is limited so registration is required.

Knit and Stitch is a modern sewing circle for knitters, quilters and others, 6 p.m., Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa. Free. noelartmuseum.org. All are invited to bring current projects to work on.

Stand Up Midland is a free family event for April as Child Abuse Prevention Month, 6 p.m., Beal Plaza at Midland College, 3600 N. Garfield Road. Facebook: @standupmidland. The event will feature a performance by the Tim Kretz Band, a hot dog dinner, face painting and Disney princess appearances. Lawn chairs are encouraged.

Falcon Alumni Network (FAN) Spring Social, 6-9 p.m., Midland Beer Garden, 7112 W. Highway 80.

Pasta Night, 6 p.m., Ranchland Hills Golf Club, 1600 E. Wadley Ave. ranchlandhills.com

Happy Hour with microchip clinic by the Midland Humane Coalition, 6:30 p.m., Midland Beer Garden, 7112 W. Highway 80. midlandhumane.org

West Texas Iris Society will meet to discuss entries for the group's 40th annual iris show, 7 p.m., Senior Link Midland, 3301 Sinclair Ave.

"Eating You Alive," 7 p.m., Ball City Stadium, 14, 4915 SW Loop 250, \$13.50. This documentary explores the relationship America has with food. lathomevents.com

Bingo Nights, 7 p.m., American Legion Auxiliary, 501 Veterans Airport Lane. 682-5511.

Bridge game play, 6:45 p.m., Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley Ave. \$6. For more information call 682-8595.

Happy hour, Midland Rock-Hounds play Springfield Cardinals, 7 p.m., Security Bank Ballpark, \$16-\$19. midlandrockhounds.org

DJ Bryan, 9 p.m., Supremos Nightclub, 2215 N. Midland Drive. Note: For more on the weekend's entertainment calendar, check out the Weekend in today's Reporter-Telegram

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Today in History

By The Associated Press Today is Thursday, April 5, the 96th day of 2018. There are 270 days left in the year. On this date:

Lottery

Pick 3 morning: 0-4-8 Pick 3 day: 6-0-1 Pick 3 evening: 3-1-4 Pick 3 night: 8-1-3 Daily 4 morning: 6-7-4-3 Daily 4 day: 0-8-2-3 Daily 4 evening: 4-9-2-8 Daily 4 night: 5-5-6-5 Cash Play: 8-12-22-32-34 Triple Chance: 8-11-12-13-21 26-37-40-43-45 All or Nothing morning: 1-2-4-5-7-8-10-17-18-20-22-23 All or Nothing day: 1-2-3-5-6-7-12-13-15-17-18-20 All or Nothing evening: 1-3-4-5-9-11-12-15-16-19-23-24 All or Nothing night: 3-7-8-9-10-14-15-18-19-20-21-23

Weather

Wednesday's temperatures High: 70 Low: 38 Normal high: 76 Normal low: 46 April 4's records Record high: 93, set in 1939 Record low: 28, set in 1945 Precipitation Saturday: 0.00 in. Sunday: 0.00 in. Month total: 0.00 in. Year total: 0.16 in. Normal total (year to date): 1.96 in. Winds Average wind speed: 13.9 mph Highest sustained wind speed: 22 mph Highest gust speed: 30 mph

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The stars show the kind of day you'll have: 5-dynamic; 4-positive; 3-average; 2-so-so; 1-difficult

Note: Bigar's Stars is based on the degree of your sun at birth. The sign name is simply a label astrologers put on a set of degrees for convenience. For best results, readers should refer to the dates following each sign.

A baby born today has a Sun in Aries and a Moon in Sagittarius.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, April 5, 2018:

This year your impulsiveness and your creative ideas mix well together. Whenever you are spontaneous, great ideas seem to come forward. Others enjoy your energy and enthusiasm. If you are single, you attract admirers and friends who sometimes want more than just friendship. You must make the call, as only you know what type of relationship you desire. If you are attached, the two of you have different approaches to life. Once you make the necessary adjustments, your bond becomes more in sync with your feelings. SAGITTARIUS encourages you to take risks.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

\*\*\* You know how to handle a difficult controversy. You have a tendency to go overboard when making a point. Listen carefully to what is happening with a loved one. This person is telling you a lot more than you might realize. Tonight: Suggest a new type of pastime.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

\*\*\* Communication between you and an associate could fall flat, partially because of a misunderstanding. Trying to straighten out a matter that both parties care a lot about might be more complicated than you originally had thought. Be sincere and open. Tonight: Out late.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

\*\*\* Defer to someone whom you feel has more control than you do. This person would like to make an idea and situation work, and he or she won't work against you in any way. Remain sure of yourself, and be willing to connect on a deeper level. Tonight: Flow with the moment.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

\*\*\* Stay on top of a situation. Remain focused on the issue at hand, and use your imagination to find a workable solution. Others might not think your idea is as good as you believe it to be, but you will want to try it out anyway. Tonight: Make sure you include some exercise.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\* Rethink a personal matter more thoroughly. You have gotten a lot of feedback from a loved one. Though you might not agree with this person, you do value his or her feedback. A visit from a relative could be difficult to handle, as so much is going on. Tonight: Let it all hang out.

VERGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

\*\*\* A certain situation could open you up to more and more positive changes. You have chosen to go in a specific direction, and you will continue on that same path. Buy a loved one a special gift, and trust that he or she will appreciate it. Tonight: Your home is your castle.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

\*\*\* Stay more tuned in to what is happening around you. Your ability to communicate and work through an issue emerges, encouraging you to head down a new path. Understand that a friend might not have an accurate perception of a situation. Tonight: Swap stories with a pal.

In 1792, President George Washington cast his first veto, rejecting a congressional measure for apportioning representatives among the states.

In 1987, Anna Sullivan achieved a breakthrough as her 6-year-old deaf-blind pupil, Helen Keller, learned the meaning of the word "water" as spelled out in the Manual Alphabet.

In 1933, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed an executive order creating the Civilian Conservation Corps and an anti-hearing order that effectively prohibited private ownership of gold.

In 1998, two American servicemen and a Turkish woman were killed in the bombing of a West Berlin discotheque, an incident which prompted a U.S. air raid on Libya more than a week later.

In 1991, former Sen. John Tower, R-Texas, his daughter Marian and 21 other people were killed in a commuter plane crash near Brunswick, Georgia.

Today's birthdays: Former U.S. Secretary of State and former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Colin Powell is 81. Country singer Pat Green is 46. Country singer-musician Mike Eli (The Eli Young Band) is 37.

Know a member of the military coming home?

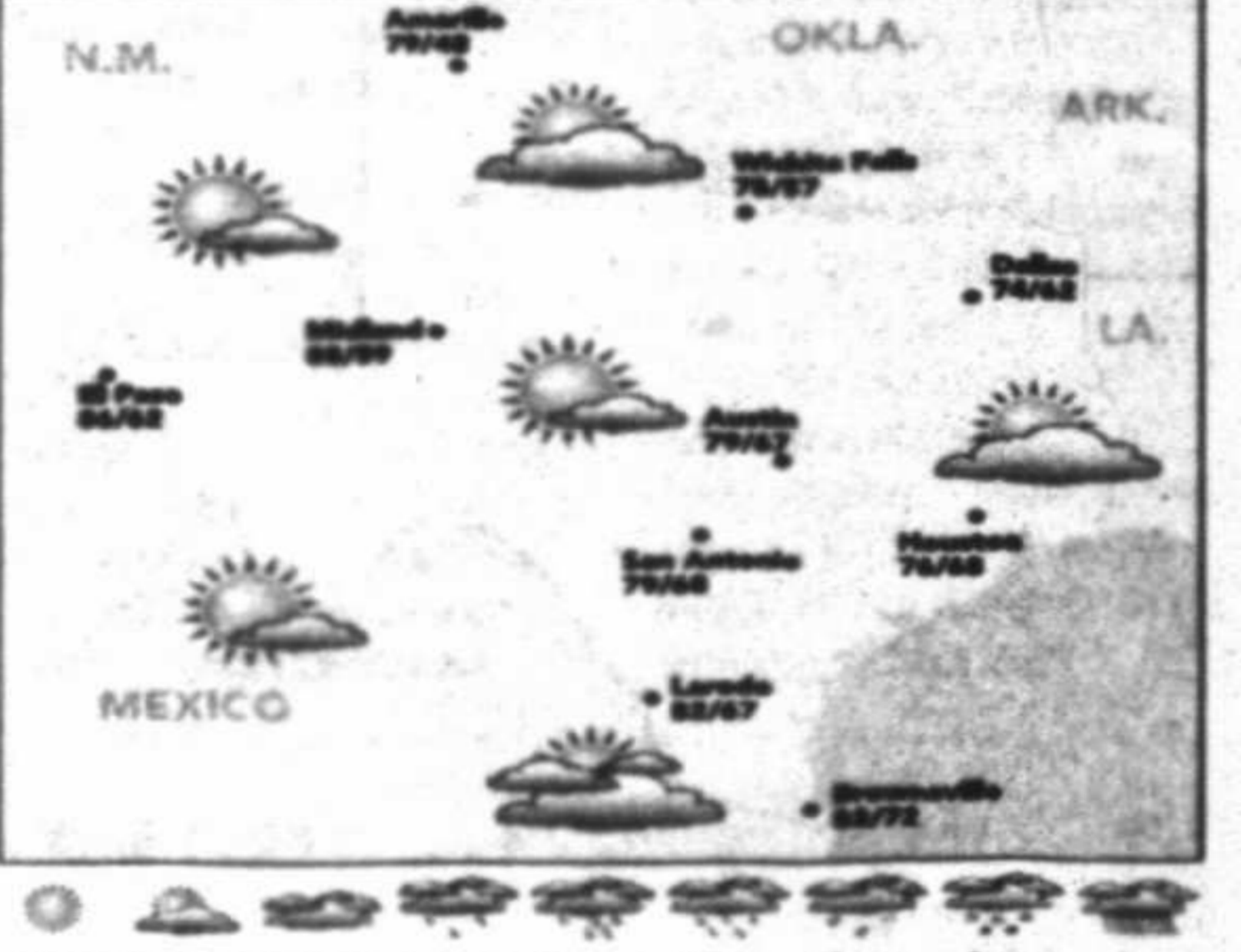
Military families can call 352-0785 or email Vickie Gomez (vzmgov@cablone.net) when they know their member of the military is flying into Midland International Airport so the Permian Basin Welcome Home Committee can be there to greet them.

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Honor those who served: There are many organizations in operation right here in the Permian Basin that are at the task of serving all kinds of needs for present and former members of our military. Some of them are:

- Show of Support (687-2167) Honor Our Troops (689-0177), Feed Them (528-6633) Centers for Children and Families (570-1084) Midland College Veterans Affairs Office (685-4511) Permian Basin Welcome Home Committee (366-3458) Soldiers of Today and Yesterday (631-3429)

Forecast for Thursday, April 5, 2018



April 5 forecast

High: 86 Low: 58 Conditions: Sunny during the day/partly cloudy at night Winds: 10-15 mph during

the day and night

Chance of rain: None Sunrise: 7:32 a.m. Sunset: 8:11 p.m. Source: National Weather Service

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## Cruz: There are a lot of Dems in DC who want the 2nd Amendment repealed

By Trevor Hawes  
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Ted Cruz made a campaign stop in Midland on Wednesday as he seeks re-election as U.S. senator. Here are some highlights from the event:

**On the Second Amendment:** Retired Supreme Court Justice John Paul Stevens wrote an op-ed in the New York Times recently calling for a repeal of the Second Amendment, which protects gun rights. Cruz told the crowd at Discovery Operating headquarters. The New York Times editorial board agreed with Stevens. The push for repeal exists beyond the pages of one of the nation's most prominent news publications, Cruz said. It extends to the halls of Congress.

"Now, here's a dirty little secret: There are a whole lot of Democrats in Washington who agree with them, they just don't have the candor or the honesty of Justice Stevens and the New York Times," Cruz said. "But that's not Texas."

The senator — who faces U.S. Rep. Beto O'Rourke, D-El Paso, in the November general election — said the Second Amendment is not about hunting, target shooting or skeet shooting. "Those are great fun, but they have very little to do with the Second Amendment."

"The Second Amendment is about the fundamental right each and every one of us has to protect our God-given rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness," Cruz said. "The Second Amendment is about if somebody comes in to your home with ill-intent, seeking to harm your family. Then you have a fundamental right to protect your babies and to protect your life."



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

US Senator Ted Cruz makes a stop in Midland on Wednesday at Discovery Operating, speaking to area residents on a campaign tour of Texas.

That's Texas; that's what we understand."

**On NAFTA:** Oil and gas companies have been pushing for any North American Free Trade Agreement changes to ensure oil companies' investment protections as they pursue business in Mexico's now-liberalized upstream petroleum industry. Cruz said the NAFTA renegotiation could be good or bad.

"It'd be a good thing if NAFTA renegotiation is used as a tool to further open up the Mexican and Canadian markets to expand trade. It'd be a bad thing if it's used as a vehicle to erect barriers to our markets and restrict trade," he said. A healthy oil and gas industry in Mexico will benefit Texas, as well.

"Mexico has vast energy resources — oil and gas — that are not adequately being developed," the senator said. "If as part of NAFTA renegotiation we open those up for development,

that will produce thousands of high-paying jobs in Mexico, which is good for Mexico. But, naturally, the place they'll look for that expertise is Texas. That will produce thousands of high-paying jobs in Texas, many of them right here in the Permian Basin because that's where the expertise is on how to develop those resources.

"It's a win-win for everyone. I hope that's the direction the administration goes."

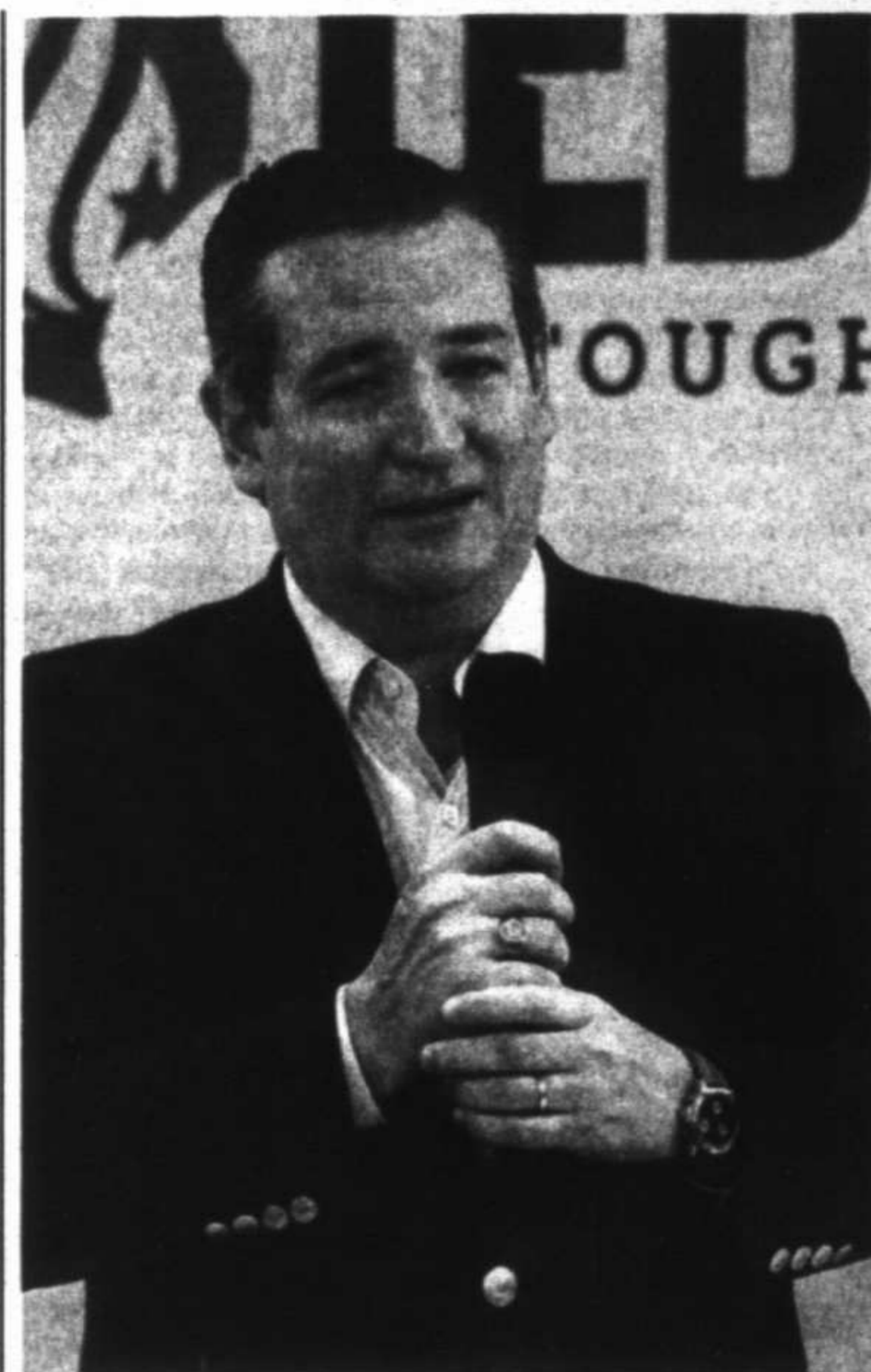
**On the Permian Basin economy:** "I am so bullish on the Permian Basin," Cruz said, remarking on the uptick in the regional economy that has followed busy times in the oil patch. He said the economy has also improved because of what Republicans have achieved.

"The economy is booming because Republicans have been able to come together and pass major tax cuts, which is are benefiting job creators, benefiting

working families," Cruz said. "We've seen major regulatory reform pulling back the burdens that are killing jobs. We've repealed the individual mandate from Obamacare, something I took the lead on in the U.S. Senate. All of those are producing real benefits in the Permian Basin."

**On West Texas culture:** "I love Midland-Odessa. I love the people out here. I love West Texas values," Cruz said, adding that others can learn from this region.

"If the whole country could adopt West Texas values, it would turn this country around. This is the most entrepreneurial place on the face of the planet. This is a town of wildcaters, this is a town of entrepreneurs, this is a town of people with big dreams who can accomplish anything if given the chance."



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## Cruz

From 1A

### Coming Friday

Cruz takes aim at U.S. Rep. Beto O'Rourke, his opponent in November.

regulators that have been killing jobs and hammering energy. That's benefiting Texas enormously," he said.

Cruz is opposed to the renewable fuel requirements that have challenged refiners, where refineries are forced by law to use a certain amount of corn-derived ethanol in their gasoline blends. Refineries effectively subsidize corn growers. Philadelphia Energy Solutions, a refinery on the East Coast, recently pursued Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection, citing the renewable fuel mandate as a reason for its financial woes.

"The renewable fuel standard imposes crushing costs on refineries," Cruz said. "It's threatening to cost tens of thousands of blue-collar refinery jobs in Texas and across the country. I took a coalition of 10 senators to the White House to meet with the president, and

I've met with the president multiple times, urging the administration to change the regulations so that we can keep those energy jobs in the refineries and limit the regulatory harm."

He added that he is "cautious and optimistic" a solution will be found that will help corn farmers sell more, while not imposing regulatory burdens on refineries, thus saving blue-collar jobs. "It's those blue-collar jobs that provide for families throughout the state of Texas."

As for the Lone Star State and its role in Washington: "Texas is and always will be the world leader when it comes to oil and gas," Cruz said.

## Fort Worth police release arrest video amid backlash

By Emily Schmall  
Associated Press

FORT WORTH — Police in Fort Worth have released body camera footage and 911 audio following backlash sparked by a bystander video that shows a black man being punched and kneeed by officers during an arrest.

The police footage made available Tuesday provides a fuller view of the nearly five-minute struggle to subdue the man.

In both the bystander and the police video, Fort Worth police officers can be seen holding Forrest Curry, 35, face-down in the street as he repeatedly asks why he's being detained. At one point, a white officer kneels on Curry's back and punches him while a black officer kneels him in the abdomen.

Even after Police Chief Joel Fitzgerald said on Monday that the department would review the officers' response, Dallas-area activist group the Next Generation Action Network posted a 50-second bystander video Sunday on Facebook. That prompted the group to lead a march Tuesday to a City Council meeting where its members denounced the treatment of Curry — the latest in a string of Fort Worth police use-of-force cases that have drawn criticism.

Assistant Police Chief Charles Ramirez said in a videotaped statement Tuesday that he hoped releasing two of the arresting officers' body camera videos and the 911 calls would "instill

a sense of confidence" in the department's administrative review process. The arresting officers have not been identified, pending the internal review.

The video "provides insight into the erratic behavior and active resistance" by Curry, Ramirez said.

Ramirez told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram that the officer who punched Curry was doing as he was trained, delivering four "distraction strikes" to Curry's side and shoulder as well as two knee strikes. One punch, though, appears to touch the back of Curry's head. That technique is used only after a suspect fails to follow verbal orders and continues to resist officers, Ramirez said.

In the body camera videos, officers can be heard shouting at Curry to put his hands behind his back. The blows begin after Curry doesn't comply.

"Don't hit me no more!" Curry says. "Why you keep resisting, man? That's why I keep having to hit you," one officer responds.

There also was apparent confusion over whether Curry was under arrest. One officer told him he was not. But seconds later, another officer said "he is under arrest now."

The incident occurred after police were dispatched to meet an ambulance crew on a public-intoxication call at an apartment complex on the city's east side. One 911 caller reported seeing several men passed out near the complex. "They're going to be dead soon," she said.

Emergency medical personnel told police that Curry was on K2, synthetic marijuana, and was "swinging at them" as they attempted to help him. Police said Curry ran from them. While detained, Curry asked what the charges against him were, and an officer said "you hit Medstar, man," referring to the local ambulance personnel.

Curry denied hitting anyone. After he had been strapped to a stretcher, one of the emergency medical responders can be heard on the body camera video telling an officer that Curry "didn't actually land" a punch.

It was not immediately clear whether Curry was on K2 or another substance. His medical evaluation and toxicology report have not been released.

Curry's attorneys say that he was walking from his mother's home on Saturday when he had a seizure and collapsed, and was disoriented and frightened when he regained consciousness. Curry was booked in Tarrant County jail Saturday for resisting officers and evading arrest. He was released on bond Monday.

Curry's attorney, Jasmine Crockett, told The Associated Press that Curry's head was left swollen by the punches. She said he underwent brain scans Tuesday to determine whether he has a concussion, but that the results will not be available until later in the week.

Crockett called the allegations that Curry was intoxicated a "distraction." "Anything that happened prior to the incident didn't give them license to beat on a person who was in need of medical attention," she said.

The incident Saturday is the latest in a series of confrontations that have raised questions about the Fort Worth Police Department's use-of-force policies.

## Midland man dies in 2-vehicle wreck on SH 349

From staff reports

A 34-year-old Midland man died Tuesday in a two-vehicle crash at the intersection of State Highway 349 and East County Road 127, according to a press release from the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Tomas A. Villa-Sanchez was driving a Dodge Durango northbound on SH 349.

A Kenworth truck tractor was facing north on SH 349 waiting to turn right onto ECR 127. Villa-Sanchez failed to control his speed and rear-ended the truck, according to the release.

He died at the scene of the wreck that occurred about 6 p.m. Tuesday two miles south of Midland. He was not wearing a

seat belt, according to the release.

The truck driver, a 30-year-old Hereford man, and his passenger, a 58-year-old Eagle Pass man, were not injured.

Villa-Sanchez is the seventh person to die on roads in Midland County this year, according to Reporter-Telegram records.

The most recent fatalities occurred March 25 and March 26.

A 28-year-old Odessa woman died early March 25 after being thrown from a motorcycle in a one-vehicle wreck on West County Road 100, and a 34-year-old Odessa man died March 26 in a one-vehicle wreck on Loop 250, according to previous Reporter-Telegram articles.

## STATEBRIEFS

FROM ASSOCIATED PRESS

### CORPUS CHRISTI Home-invasion suspect shot, killed by South Texas police

Authorities in South Texas say officers have shot and killed a man who was one of several suspects involved in an early-morning home invasion.

Corpus Christi police say the man died at an apartment complex Wednesday after he and others were seen leaving an apartment.

Authorities say a woman in the apartment called police to say a group of men had forced their way in, had assaulted people

inside and were taking items with them. At least one was armed with a gun.

It wasn't clear why officers were prompted to fire on the man who was killed. Another man was arrested and at least one other fled as police arrived.

### HOUSTON Wind gusts cause hangar collapse at Hobby Airport in Houston

Strong winds that swept through the Houston area have caused a hangar to collapse at one of the city's airports, damaging planes

and scattering debris. The National Weather Service says gusts of about 80 mph were recorded late Tuesday at Hobby Airport.

Authorities say the wind appears to have caused the hangar at a private terminal to disintegrate. An airport spokesman, Bill Begley, says the collapse caused millions of dollars of damage. There have been no reports of injuries.

Houston police Lt. Larry Crowson says the hangar is owned by Jet Aviation. Broadcast images show debris atop at least two planes, with the nose of one aircraft pushed to the ground. Airport officials say up to eight aircraft are damaged, but

that no commercial flights are affected.

### AUSTIN Bat-killing fungus found in Central Texas

The fungus that causes white-nose syndrome, a disease deadly to hibernating bats, has been found for the first time in Central Texas.

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department revealed Wednesday that the fungus has been detected this year in four new counties, including Blanco and Kendall counties in Central Texas. The fungus was detected on cave bats, tri-colored bats, Townsend's

big-eared bats and a single Mexican free-tailed bat.

That brings to 10 the number of Texas counties where the fungus has been detected. Eight are in the Texas Panhandle.

### MESQUITE Texas pastor arrested for failing to report sexual assault

A Texas pastor has been arrested for failing to immediately report an assistant youth pastor accused of sexually assaulting a teenage girl.

The Mesquite Police Department says that Robert Ross, the lead pastor of

Open Door Baptist Church, was charged Tuesday with a misdemeanor for failing to promptly report Steven Winn after learning of the sexual assault.

The victim had been a student at the church's school in Mesquite, just 15 miles east of Dallas.

Police say an investigation reveals that 33-year-old Winn had an ongoing sexual relationship with the teenage girl for over 14 months. Winn is charged with sexual assault of a child.

Police say Ross discovered Winn was sexually assaulting the victim on February 1, but failed to report him to a law enforcement agency.

# Cyberattack hits data systems of at least 4 gas networks

By Naureen S. Malik, Ryan Collins and Meenal Vamburkar  
Bloomberg

At least four U.S. pipeline companies have seen their electronic systems for communicating with customers shut down over the last few days, with three confirming it resulted from a cyberattack.

On Tuesday, Oneok Inc., which operates natural gas pipelines in the Permian Basin in Texas and the Rocky Mountains region, said it disabled its system as a precaution after determining that a third-party provider was the "target of an apparent cyberattack."

A day earlier, Energy Transfer Partners L.P., Boardwalk Pipeline Partners L.P. and Chesapeake Utilities Corp.'s Eastern Shore Natural Gas reported communications breakdowns, with Eastern Shore saying its outage occurred on March 29. The Department of Homeland Security, which said Monday it was gathering information about the attacks, had no immediate comment Tuesday.

"We do not believe any customer data was compromised," said the Latitude Technologies unit of Energy Services Group, which Energy Transfer and Eastern Shore both identified as their third-party provider. "We are investigating the re-establishment of this data." Latitude said in a message to customers.

The company wasn't ready to make a statement or discuss the details of the service disruption yet, Carla Roddy, marketing director at Energy Services Group, said in a brief interview at the company's

headquarters in Norwell, Massachusetts.

The attacks follow a U.S. government warning in March that Russian hackers are conducting an assault on the U.S. electric grid and other targets. Last month, Atlanta's government was hobbled by a ransomware attack.

**Computer to Computer** The electronic systems help pipeline customers communicate their needs with operators, using a computer-to-computer exchange of documents. Energy Transfer said the electronic data interchange system provided by Latitude was back up and working Monday night. The business wasn't otherwise affected, spokeswoman Vicki Granado said in an email.

Eastern Shore Natural Gas's Latitude system was restored on Monday as well, the company said in a notice to customers. In addition to providing EDI services, Latitude also hosts websites used by about 50 pipelines for posting notices to customers. At least some of the websites went down on March 29 and didn't start returning until Monday, according to Dan Spangler, pipeline manager for data provider Genscape Inc. in Boulder, Colorado.

"Although all of the sites are back up now, many of them are still missing" data for March 30 and April 1, he said. "Other than Energy Transfer pipes and the pipelines hosted by Latitude, we haven't seen any issues with gas data."

The shutdowns are "not operationally serious in the sense that it's stopping the natural gas from moving, but it is serious because it's causing these companies

to use workarounds for communication," said Rae McQuade, president of the North American Energy Standards Board in Houston, which is responsible for developing industry standards.

"If somebody is running a business that has some kind of critical asset to it — pipelines, energy, finance — those networks are going to be targets; those networks have been targets," said John Harbaugh, chief operating officer at R9B, a Colorado Springs, Colorado, cybersecurity solutions provider.

Many of the 3 million miles of pipelines that spread across America rely on third-party companies for their electronic communication systems, Andy Lee, senior partner at Jones Walker LLP in New Orleans, said by telephone Tuesday. In turn, they depend on those companies to provide security for those systems from attacks.

Latitude is "very well known in the industry," the energy board's McQuade said. "They have a lot of clients, they are very well respected."

The systems are gaining attention from hackers because they've proven to be "low-hanging" fruit that creates an opportunity for ransomware or to sell the information on the dark web, Lee said.

**Entry Points** While the EDI systems may be entry points for hackers, they are likely not the ultimate target, said Jim Guinn, managing director and global cybersecurity leader for energy, utilities, chemicals and mining at Accenture Plc, a technology consulting company. "There is absolutely

nothing of intrinsic value for someone to infiltrate the EDI other than to navigate a network to do something more malicious," Guinn said by telephone Tuesday. "All bad actors are looking for a way to get into the museum to go steal the Van Gogh painting."

He also said there is nothing inherently different about oil and gas EDI systems.

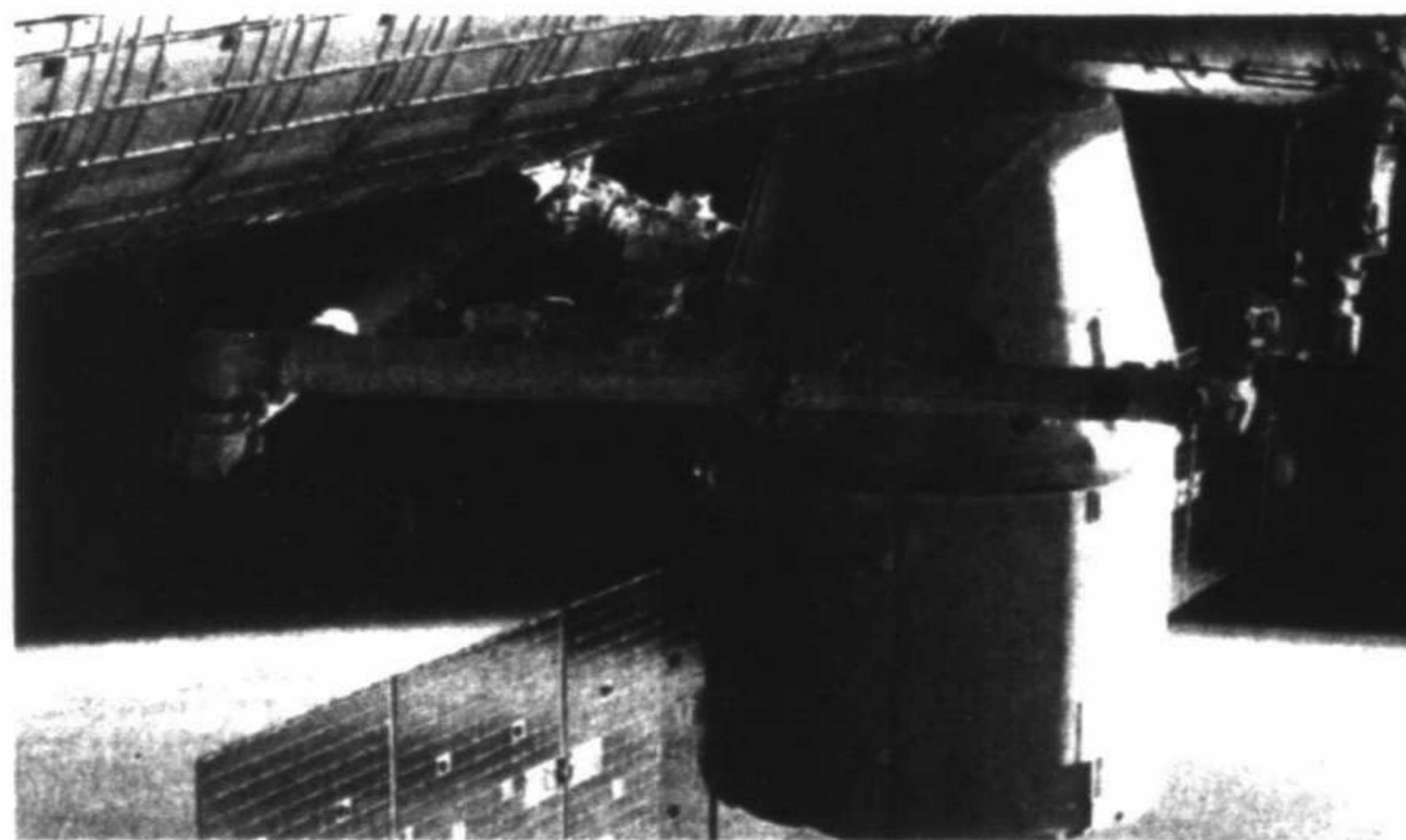
**Not First Time** This isn't the first time

U.S. pipelines have been targeted. In 2012, a federal cyber response team said in a note that it had identified a number of "cyber intrusions" targeting natural gas pipeline sector companies. The group, the Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team, is a division of Homeland Security.

"It's important to recognize that this does not appear to be an attack on an operational system," said Cathy Landry, a spokes-

woman for the Interstate Natural Gas Association of America. "An attack on a network certainly is inconvenient and can be costly, and something any company — whether a retailer, a bank or a media company — wants to avoid, but there is no threat to public safety or to natural gas deliveries."

She said she "cannot speak for any of the companies specifically about what may or may not have happened to their systems."



The Dragon capsule arrives at the International Space Station on Wednesday with food and experiments.

## SpaceX capsule reaches space station with food, experiments

Associated Press

A SpaceX capsule carrying food, experiments and other goods for NASA has arrived at the International Space Station after a two-day journey.

The Dragon capsule and its 6,000-pound shipment was captured by the space station's robot arm Wednesday.

It's the second trip to the 250-mile-high orbiting outpost for this capsule, refurbished following a visit two years ago. It

will remain attached to the space station for about a month, returning to Earth in May.

The space station is currently home to astronauts from the U.S., Russia and Japan.

The supply capsule launched Monday from Cape Canaveral, Florida, aboard a used Falcon rocket. SpaceX wants to reduce launch costs by recycling rocket parts. It combined a recycled capsule and a recycled rocket once before.

## Water park co-owner free on bond in Kansas murder case

Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Kan.

— A water park co-owner charged in the decapitation death of a 10-year-old boy on a 17-story Kansas waterslide was freed on bond Wednesday as the criminal case moved forward against him and two others.

Jeff Henry, co-owner of Texas-based Schlitterbahn Waterparks and Resorts, posted a \$500,000 bond within hours of being booked into the Wyandotte County jail in Kansas.

Henry was extradited from Texas, where he lives, after he was indicted last week on charges including second-degree murder in the 2016 death of Caleb Schwab at the water park in Kansas City, Kansas. His attorney didn't im-

mediately reply to a phone message seeking comment. Henry is due in court Thursday.

The slide's designer, John Schooley, was arrested Monday in Texas and also faces charges including second-degree murder. During a hearing Wednesday, he agreed to be extradited to Kansas and will be transferred there next week, said Dallas County sheriff's spokesman Raul Reyna. An attorney for Schooley didn't respond to a request for comment.

Another executive is charged with manslaughter. A Kansas grand jury indicted Henry and Schooley men on allegations that Henry made a "spur of the moment" decision to build the Verruckt — touted as

the world's tallest waterslide — and that he and Schooley lacked technical or engineering expertise in amusement park rides.

Prosecutors argue that the ride violated "nearly all aspects" of longstanding standards established by the American Society for Testing and Materials. "In fact, the design and operation of the Verruckt complied with few, if any, of the industry safety standard," the indictment states.

The raft Caleb was riding on went airborne and hit an overhead loop on the slide.

Schlitterbahn spokeswoman Winter Prossopio said in an earlier statement that the indictment "is filled with information that we fully dispute."

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# OPINION

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## Trumpism doesn't mirror Reagan-style populism

■ Populism is a bottom-up phenomenon, but it is shaped and defined by rhetoric from the top

For a while, a set of liberals has argued that Donald Trump isn't an aberration from other Republican presidents. Now, some surprising conservatives, including friends and colleagues of mine, are starting to agree.

The conservative arguments take several forms, but a key point shared by all of them is that there's nothing new about Trump's melding of populism and conservatism.

"I think people who see Trumpism as something aberrant in the Republican Party haven't thought much about the history of the Republican Party. Unless they're Never Trumpers, in which case they're in a state of denial," Sean Trende of Real Clear Politics argued in a much-discussed Twitter peroration. "Successful Republican campaigns and presidencies have always involved an integration of the party's populist and establishment wings."

Henry Olsen, a scholar at the Ethics and Public Policy Center, has been arguing for quite a while that Trump is a more authentic incarnation of Reaganism, because "Trump's active leadership style and his combination of populism with market economics is far closer to Reagan's words

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and deeds than anything House Speaker Paul Ryan of Wisconsin or Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky offer."

Rich Lowry, my boss at National Review, agrees. Writing in Politico, he recounts Reagan's and other past Republican presidents' deft use of populist issues and themes to win both the GOP nomination and the White House. "We can argue about what role populism and nationalism should have in conservative politics," Lowry said, "but that they have a place, and always have, is undeniable."

Lowry is right. It is undeniable. It is also undeniable that Democrats from Andrew Jackson to FDR to Barack Obama have used populism to galvanize their candidacies and presidencies. This fact alone should tell you something: Not all populisms are the same, because though they all claim to be the voice of the people, they invariably speak with a specific, voice

for a specific subset of the people.

Or as then-candidate Trump put it in May 2016: "The only important thing is the unification of the people — because the other people don't mean anything."

Populism is a bottom-up phenomenon, but it is shaped and defined by rhetoric from the top. And just as there are differences between left and right populism, there are different kinds of conservative populism.

Until recently, right-wing populism manifested itself in the various forms of the tea party, which emphasized limited government and fiscal restraint. That populism was not only very different from the populism of Occupy Wall Street, it is very different from Trump's version.

It is true that Reagan championed populist themes, but no one can seriously dispute that Reagan's themes and rhetoric were decidedly un-Trumpian. The conservative populist who delivered "A Time for Choosing" used broadly inclusive language, focusing his ire at a centralized government that reduced a nation of aspiring individuals to "the masses."

This was a running theme of Reagan's rhetoric. "I've been privileged to meet people all over this land in the special kind of way you meet them when you are campaigning," he said in a 1978 radio address. "They are not 'the masses,' or as

the elitists would have it — 'the common man.' They are very uncommon. Individuals each with his or her own hopes and dreams, plans and problems and the kind of quiet courage that makes this whole country run better than just about any other on place Earth." Reagan's populist rhetoric was informed by a moderate, big-hearted temperament, a faith in American exceptionalism and a fondness for immigration. He warned of concentrated power that corrodes self-government.

"From time to time we've been tempted to believe that society has become too complex to be managed by self-rule, that government by an elite group is superior to government for, by and of the people," Reagan declared in his first inaugural.

"Well, if no one among us is capable of governing himself, then who among us has the capacity to govern someone else?"

Trump rejects American exceptionalism, saying that other nations have outsmarted us. His indictment of our own government is that it is too weak and dumb. His solution: "I alone can fix it."

I'm not merely indulging in Reagan nostalgia. Every president enlists populist passion, but to leave it at that ignores the purpose of that passion and reduces "the people" to nothing more than the masses.

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### OUR VIEW

## Partnership report sure to confirm days of doing little are over

Over the last two weeks, our community has been bombarded with economic headlines:

- Concho makes the largest deal in the history of the Permian Basin;
- more barrels of oil were produced in Midland than any other county in the state during the month of January;
- the unemployment rate in Midland is one of the five lowest in the country;
- a record is set for median-priced houses in Midland;
- apartment rent increases are higher in Midland than any other community in the U.S.

We offer this because the economy and life in general are heating up in Midland. Some people want to debate whether we are experiencing another boom. That is shortsighted and really doesn't matter. In our view, we are on the doorstep of a long-term period of economic prosperity for the major industry in our community, and over the long term the trend lines in oil and gas will be on the rise. We must prepare for that reality.

We recall the announcement in January that Pioneer Natural Resources was working with eight of the top operators and a pair of top service companies in the Permian Basin to develop a plan that addresses a variety of issues — such as educating the workforce of the future, improving health care and constructing roads that can handle the energy industry's heavy demands — in the nation's most-active basin. This plan will be called the Permian Strategic Partnership.

What we have seen over the past couple of weeks, and certainly over the past 18 months, is that the plan is needed now more than ever. We need the experts to tell residents what to expect over the next 10 years, 20 years and longer. And this community needs to pay attention to what these experts say, instead of listening to the comments of a minority that hopes for the economic engine to be put in reverse.

What we have learned from the billions of dollars that oil companies are spending on acquisitions, regional headquarters and partnerships — such as Pioneer's deal with the city for water re-use — is the need to follow the oil companies' lead. The headlines are going to continue. That is a given. We look forward to the Permian Strategic Partnership helping us with the blueprint moving forward. With a community that appears to be a little too reactive — instead of being proactive — future planning is mandatory, and we need all the information we can get right now.

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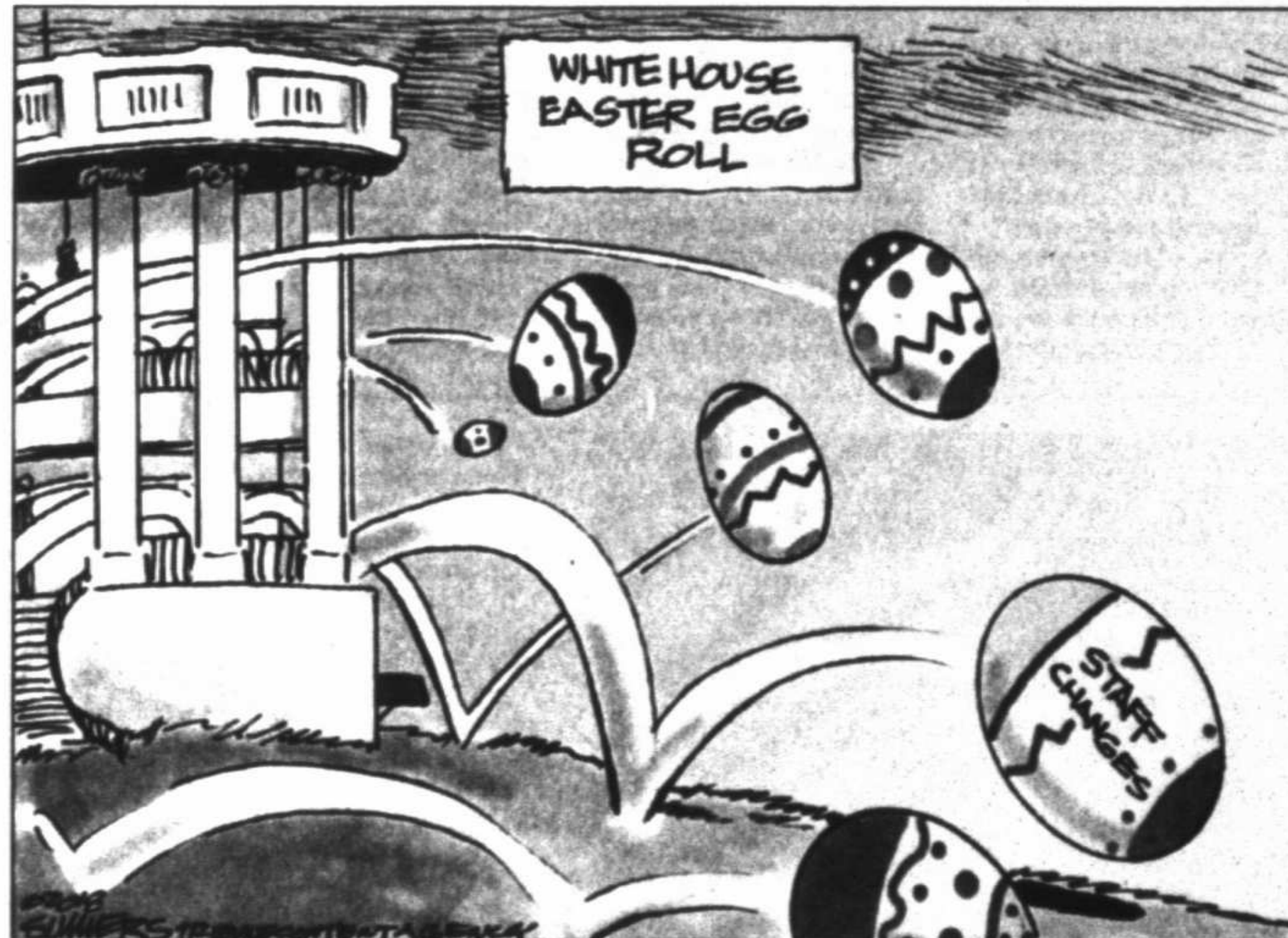
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## Why can't new outlets hire conservatives without liberals losing their minds?

■ It's effortless for people to surround themselves with opinions that appeal to their biases

The world of entertainment celebrates the crossover. When a comedic actor makes the shift to dramatic roles or when a country music star successfully cracks the mainstream charts, it is thought of as broader recognition of their talents.

One would hope the same mindset exists for journalists. However, judging by the reaction from some quarters when National Review's Kevin Williamson announced he was leaving the magazine founded by William F. Buckley to write for The Atlantic, many liberals were apologetic.

How dare this publication they adore hire someone with a viewpoint not in lockstep with theirs? They recoiled with anger, claimed his views were illegitimate. It's all too common when right-leaning writers make a move from conservative outlets to more mainstream publications.

It should be a welcome move when publications hire outside of their comfort zone. Instead, the outrage culture forces publishers and editors to offer explanations for the hire instead of allowing the writer's body of work to speak for itself.

Publishers and editors are under a lot of pressure to get the best talent on their pages while remaining cognizant of ever-tightening budgets and a growing need to appeal to a loyal digital audience — one that will not only click but read to the end, and even return to reread the work. Now they're adding another figure to that difficult calculus — the possibility that a small but vocal mob will raise pitchforks after cherry-picking out-of-context quotes from thousands of tweets and columns.

The consternation over Williamson wouldn't matter so much if this were an isolated incident — but we've been down this road before.

Bret Stephens' hiring by The New York Times had people promising to cancel their subscriptions. It prompted publisher Arthur Sulzberger Jr. to write a personal appeal to those subscribers.

The Washington Post's hire of libertarian-leaning Megan McCardle prompted howls of dissent. Another hire at The Times, Bari Weiss, prompted objections because of her supposed

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Dallas Morning News

neoconservative leanings.

Jay Nordlinger, in a piece bidding adieu to Williamson, discussed how many writers nowadays are similar to politicians. They seek to curry favor with a small core audience, looking for applause lines along the way. They're afraid to take risks. Williamson, as well as his Atlantic colleague Ta-Nehisi Coates, write fearlessly and honestly. Their writing may provoke eyebrow-raising and, at times, anger. But they also challenge readers to think instead of writing for the easy accolades.

It's effortless for people to surround themselves with opinions that appeal to their biases. As a conservative, I could promise myself to read only National Review, The Weekly Standard and the editorial page of The Wall Street Journal. I read them, yes, but I also read the editorial pages of The New York Times and The Washington Post, as well as Vanity Fair, The New Yorker and The Atlantic.

I probably don't agree with half of what I read at those outlets, but I don't read them to seek affirmation of my point of view. I read them because the writers have something interesting to say and they do it engagingly.

It's easy for people to shut off their minds to what they find disagreeable or objectionable. Publishers and editors could refuse to take risks and stick with the safe hires to alleviate the possibility of having to face a storm of criticism.

But none of us should want that. As consumers of news — and opinion journalism — we all need to broaden our horizons. News outlets that expand the base of their audience deserve applause, not condemnation.

Here's hoping we'll see more of it in the future.

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#### From the Left | Doonesbury



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#### From the Right | Mallard Fillmore



# MLK honored as thousands march to 'keep the dream going'

By Errin Haines Whack, Adrian Sainz and Kate Brumback  
Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — With thoughts on the past and eyes to the future, thousands marched and sang civil rights songs Wednesday to honor the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., the "apostle of non-violence" silenced by an assassin 50 years ago.

At events ranging from a jubilant concert to a solemn wreath-laying, admirers across the country took time to both reflect on King's legacy and discuss how his example can apply to racial and economic divides still plaguing society.

Among the largest gatherings was a march through the Mississippi River city where the civil rights leader was shot dead on a motel balcony in 1968. Memphis police estimated a crowd of about 10,000.

The Rev. James Lawson, who invited King to Memphis 50 years ago to assist with a strike by underpaid sanitation workers, helped lead the march and said more progress is needed toward King's goal of equality for all.

"I'm still anxious and frustrated," said Lawson, his black hair turned gray. "The task is unfinished."

Speaking in King's hometown of Atlanta, the Rev. Bernice King recalled her father as a great orator whose message of peaceful protest was still vital decades later.

"We decided to start this day remembering the



Mark Humphrey/Associated Press

People take part in a march commemorating the anniversary of the assassination of Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. on Wednesday in Memphis, Tenn.

apostle of nonviolence," she said during a ceremony to award a prize named for her father.

As painful as losing her father was, she said she wouldn't change history.

"Actually, I'm glad that everything happened the way that it happened because I can't imagine the world that we live in without the contributions of Martin Luther King Jr. and Coretta Scott King and the sacrifice that they made," she said.

Before the Memphis march, the rapper Common

and pop singer Sheila E had the crowd dancing and bobbing their heads. Then, as the march began, people locked arms or held signs as they chanted and sang songs such as "We Shall Overcome."

"We know what he worked hard for, we know what he died for, so we just want to keep the dream going," said Dixie Spencer, who came to the march from nearby Hardeman County, where she's an NAACP leader. "We just want to make sure that we don't lose the gains that we

have made."

Martin Luther King III addressed marchers at the end of their route, focusing on the triple evils of poverty, racism and war. "There's something wrong in our nation where a minimum of 48 million people are living in poverty. That's unacceptable. We must do better. America should be embarrassed about having people living in poverty."

In the evening, ringing bells marked the moment King was gunned down at age 39. Members of King's family pulled a rope

together to ring a bell 39 times at the pool surrounding the Atlanta crypt of King and his wife. The family then laid a wreath of multicolored flowers in front of the crypt. The crowd gathered outside Memphis' old Lorraine Motel fell silent as the bell began to ring there. A red and white wreath was placed on the balcony where King had been standing when he was shot.

Small-time criminal James Earl Ray pleaded guilty to the killing and quickly recanted, claiming

he was set up. The conviction stood, and Ray died in prison in 1998.

Marking the anniversary of the assassination, President Donald Trump issued a proclamation in honor of the slain leader, saying: "In remembrance of his profound and inspirational virtues, we look to do as Dr. King did while this world was privileged enough to still have him."

The president has been the target of veiled criticism by some speakers at King commemorations in recent days as they complained of fraught race relations and other divisions since he was elected. Observances marking King's death were planned coast-to-coast. In New York, the Dance Theatre of Harlem planned an evening performance in his honor. Another march was scheduled in Yakima, Washington.

In Montgomery, Alabama, where King first gained notice leading a boycott against segregated city buses, a commemorative event brought a symbol of transformation: The daughter of King's one-time nemesis, segregationist Gov. George C. Wallace, paid tribute to the slain civil rights leader.

Shirley Mason was a young woman living in Detroit when King was killed. Now 70, she said she came to Memphis not only to honor King's legacy but to call for his work to be continued.

"(King) went through the struggle and gave up his life," she said. "Why not get out ourselves and do some sacrificing?"

## YouTube shooter was calm in interview before attack

By Elliot Spagat and Sudhin Thanawala  
Associated Press

MENIFEE, Calif. — Just hours before she shot and wounded three people at YouTube headquarters, Nasim Aghdam calmly told police who found her sleeping in her car that she was having family problems and had left her home.

During the 20-minute interview with officers early Tuesday, she did not mention being angry with YouTube or having accused the company of suppressing her video posts.

She gave no indication she was a threat to herself or others.

"It was a very normal conversation. There was nothing in her behavior that suggested anything unusual," said Mountain View Police Chief Max Bosel.

Later that day, she went to a gun range before walking through a parking garage into a courtyard at YouTube's campus south of San Francisco, where she opened fire with a handgun and wounded three people. She then killed herself.

The sequence of Aghdam's activities emerged Wednesday as police continued gathering information about the attacker and her motives.

Agents with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives searched two Southern California homes where Aghdam had lived. Spokeswoman Ginger Colbrun would not confirm the locations but reporters saw agents entering homes in the communities of Menifee, southeast of Los Angeles, and 4S Ranch, north of San Diego.

Aghdam was a "really good person" and had no history of mental illness, said a woman named Leila who identified herself as an aunt as she entered the family home in Menifee. She did not give her last name.

The shooter's family later distributed a statement outside the home saying it was "in absolute shock and can't make sense of what has happened."

"Although no words can describe our deep pain for this tragedy, our family would like to express their utmost regret, sorrow for

what has happened to innocent victims," the statement said.

Investigators do not believe Aghdam, who was in her late 30s, targeted anyone in particular, and there is no reason to believe she illegally obtained the semi-automatic 9mm pistol used in the shooting, San Bruno Police Chief Ed Barberini said.

Aghdam walked onto the YouTube property through a parking garage and it's not clear whether she encountered any security.

Two women wounded in the shooting were released Wednesday from a San Francisco hospital. The third victim, a 36-year-old man, was upgraded from critical to serious condition.

The day before the attack, the shooter's father, Ismail Aghdam, said he warned police that his daughter was upset with how YouTube handled her videos and might be planning to go to its offices.

Nasim Aghdam "hated" YouTube and was angry that the company stopped paying her for videos she posted, Ismail Aghdam told the Bay Area News

Group. Her video posts included segments about veganism, animal cruelty and exercise, along with glamor shots of herself.

Police in Mountain View said they spoke to Ismail Aghdam twice after contacting the family to report finding his daughter and that he never told them she could become violent or pose a threat to YouTube employees.

When officers found Nasim Aghdam, she was in her car near a strip mall in Mountain View, about 25 miles from YouTube and home to the company's owner, Silicon Valley giant Google.

She told Mountain View police who spoke to her around 2 a.m. Tuesday that she had come to the area to stay with relatives and was looking for a job, police said.

They let her go, saying there was no indication she needed to be detained.

Later in the day, she went to a gun range not far from the YouTube headquarters. Police visited the range Wednesday.

Nasim Aghdam used the name "Nasime Sabz" online, a law enforcement official with knowledge of the investigation told The Associated Press. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because the official was not authorized to discuss the case.



Courtesy of San Bruno Police Department via AP

San Bruno police identified Nasim Najaf Aghdam, 30, as the person who shot three people on YouTube's campus Tuesday afternoon.

A website in that name decried YouTube's policies and said the company was trying to "suppress" content creators. "YouTube filtered my channels to keep them from

getting views!" one of the messages on the site said. "There is no equal growth opportunity on YOUTUBE or any other video sharing site, your channel will grow if they want to!!!!"

## 15.2 million watch second 'Roseanne'

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The audience for the second week of ABC's "Roseanne" reboot was down, but not by much. The Nielsen company said that 15.2 million people watched the show on Tuesday night.

That's off 16 percent from the 18.2 million who watched the show's premiere last Tuesday. With delayed viewing, that first show has already been seen by more than 25 million people.

It has to be heartening to ABC that so many people who sampled the sitcom stuck with it. The audience is roughly triple what ABC drew for "The Middle" when it aired in the same time slot a year ago.

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## Dems, GOP using immigration in House races, but differently

By Alan Fram  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Both Democrats and Republicans think the stalemate between President Donald Trump and Congress over immigration can help them in November's congressional elections. Each could be right.

In House races across the country, both parties are using the fight over immigration — fanned by tweets from President Donald Trump about a crisis on the Mexican border that others say doesn't exist — to fire up base voters in midterm elections. Democrats think it can help them reach minorities, young people and suburban moderates repelled by Trump's strident anti-immigrant stances, while Republicans have noted his success in using promises to crack down on immigration to energize disaffected conservatives.

As a result, Democrats are using the issue to emphasize inclusivity and are targeting border regions, suburbs and areas with immigrant populations. Republicans, whose districts tend to be less diverse, plan to make immigration a law-and-order issue that appeals to conservatives all around the U.S.

The debate is likely to roil races in California, Texas, Florida, Arizona, perhaps New Mexico and Virginia's Washington, D.C., suburbs. One diverse Southern California House district centered on the sprawl of Orange County has already become a testing ground for each party's immigration strategy.

The retirement of 13-term Republican Rep. Ed Royce makes the seat a prime target for Democrats trying to pick up 23 seats in November's elections, enough to grab House control. Seventeen GOP, Democratic and independent candidates are

vying in a multiparty June 5 primary, a group that includes a Republican who has worked to scuttle pro-immigrant sanctuary city laws and a Democrat who fled Vietnam as a child.

Mai Khanh Tran's campaign website praises "the open arms of a country" that offered "my shot at the American Dream."

Trump this week amplified his rhetoric with tweets about "ridiculous" laws making it hard to send arrivals from Mexico "back where they came from." On Wednesday, he signed a proclamation directing National Guard troops to secure the U.S.-Mexico border.

It's the sort of language Democrats hope will send voters their way. Although the economy and health care register higher as voter concerns, Democrats see advantages from touting Congress' attempt to shield young "Dreamer" immigrants from deportation.

That effort collapsed in February after Trump rejected \$25 billion to build his treasured border wall with Mexico in exchange for offering possible citizenship for Dreamers who were brought illegally to the U.S. as children and who have been temporarily protected by the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program.

Democrats say the gridlock lets them convey a message of tolerance that can woo voters, contributors and volunteers — including liberals, minorities and moderates alienated by Trump's words.

"Immigration is one of those cultural touchstone issues" that shows Democrats are ready to "stand up to Trump," said Mike Lux, a liberal Democratic consultant.

Democrats say GOP incumbents vulnerable to attacks over immigration include Reps. Carlos Curbelo of South Florida, David Valadao of Califor-

nia's Central Valley and Will Hurd of West Texas. Their districts are around 70 percent Hispanic.

While the U.S. population is around 18 percent Hispanic, 62 congressional districts had at least double that mark in 2016, the most recent breakdown available, according to the nonpartisan Pew Research Center.

Underlining how Hispanics tend to vote Democratic, just 13 of those districts are represented by Republicans, three of whom are retiring: Florida's Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, New Mexico's Steve Pearce and Texas' Blake Farenthold.

Republicans envision campaigns raising the specter of sanctuary cities, where local authorities limit cooperation with federal immigration officials, and casting such policies as enabling immigrants in the U.S. illegally to commit crimes and grab jobs.

That could help in places like Arizona and northern and central Florida, they say.

Many voters view Democrats "as the party of protecting illegals over citizens," said Cory Bliss, executive director of the Congressional Leadership Fund, a political committee aligned with House Speaker Paul Ryan, R-Wis. "This issue works across the country."

Bliss' group ran TV ads attacking Democrat Conor Lamb on immigration in the waning weeks of last month's special election in an open, overwhelmingly white House district in western Pennsylvania that heavily backed Trump in 2016.

The spots said Lamb favors "amnesty to millions of immigrants" and as an Obama administration official encouraged sanctuary cities, "which put illegal immigrants who commit crimes back on the street." Lamb won narrowly, which Bliss attributed to a weak GOP candidate.

## Trump signs proclamation directing troops to secure border

By Jill Colvin  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Asserting the situation had reached "a point of crisis," President Donald Trump on Wednesday signed a proclamation directing the deployment of the National Guard to the U.S.-Mexico border to fight illegal immigration.

"The lawlessness that continues at our southern border is fundamentally incompatible with the safety, security, and sovereignty of the American people," Trump wrote in a memo authorizing the move, adding that his administration had "no choice but to act."

The announcement came hours after Trump pledged "strong action today" on immigration and a day after he said he announced he wanted to use the military to secure the southern border until his long-promised, stalled border wall is erected.

Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen said she had been working with governors of the southwest border states to develop agreements on where and how many Guardsmen will be deployed.

She suggested some troops could begin arriving as soon as Wednesday night, though other administration officials cautioned that details on troop levels, locations and timing were still being worked out.

Trump has been frustrated by slow action on building his "big, beautiful wall" along the Mexican border — the signature promise of his campaign — as well as a recent uptick in illegal border crossings, which had plunged during the early months of his presidency, giving Trump an accomplishment to point to when he had few.

Federal law prohibits the use of active-duty service members for law enforcement inside the U.S., unless specifically authorized by Congress. But over the past

12 years, presidents have twice sent National Guard troops to the border to bolster security and assist with surveillance and other support.

Nielsen said the effort would be similar to a 2006 operation in which President George W. Bush deployed troops to help U.S. Customs and Border Protection personnel with non-law enforcement duties while additional border agents were hired and trained. President Barack Obama also sent about 1,200 troops in 2010 to beef up efforts against drug smuggling and illegal immigration.

Nielsen said her department had developed a list of locations where it would like assistance on things like aerial surveillance and other support, and was discussing with the governors how to facilitate the plans. She declined to say how many personnel would be needed or how much the operation would cost, but she insisted, "It will be as many as is needed to fill the gaps that we have today."

One congressional aide said that lawmakers anticipate 300 to 1,200 troops will be deployed and that the cost was expected to be at least \$60 million to \$120 million a year. The Pentagon would probably need authorization from Congress for any funding beyond a few months, said the aide, who wasn't authorized to speak publicly and spoke on condition of anonymity.

Under the mechanism the administration is looking to use, the Guard would not be mobilized as a federal force. Instead, governors would control the Guard within their states.

Governors of the four U.S. states bordering Mexico were largely supportive of the move. The office of California Gov. Jerry Brown, a Democrat who has sparred with Trump on immigration issues, said any federal request would be promptly reviewed to de-

termine how the state could best offer its assistance.

The Mexican foreign ministry said Nielsen told Mexico's top diplomat that troops deployed to the border "will not carry arms or carry out migration or customs control activities."

Senators in Mexico urged President Enrique Pena Nieto to temporarily suspend cooperation with the U.S. on immigration and security issues. In a non-binding statement approved unanimously Wednesday, the senators asked Mexico's government to freeze joint efforts "in the fight against transnational organized crime" until Trump starts acting "with the civility and respect that the people of Mexico deserve."

Trump first revealed Tuesday that he'd been discussing the idea of using the military at the border with Defense Secretary Jim Mattis.

"We're going to be doing things militarily. Until we can have a wall and proper security, we're going to be guarding our border with the military," Trump said.

He spent the first months of his presidency bragging about a dramatic drop in illegal border crossings, which some DHS officials had even dubbed the "Trump effect." Indeed, arrests at the border last April were at the lowest level since DHS was created in 2003, and the 2017 fiscal year saw a 45-year low for Border Patrol arrests.

But the numbers have been slowly ticking up since last April and are now on par with many months of the Obama administration.

New statistics released Wednesday show about 50,000 arrests of people trying to cross the southwest border last month, a 37 percent increase from the previous month, and a 203 percent increase compared to March 2017.

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**HOMETOWN HEROES** See West Texas' own Flatland Cavalry return to Rockin' Rodeo 9 p.m.

### FRIDAY



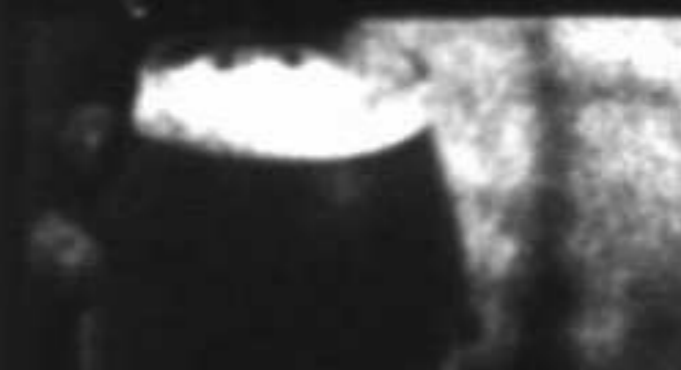
**CAST AWAY** It's a double bill of contemporary Christian pop and rock when Casting Crowns and I Am They take over the Andrews County Expo Arena. 7 p.m.

### SATURDAY



**BEE'S KNEES** Artist Nancy Macko takes a close look at the insect in "The Fragile Bee" exhibition. The show of photos, prints and mixed media opens Saturday and runs through July 8 at the Museum of the Southwest.

### FRIDAY



**DA BEERS** The 10th annual Hops and Procs 2018 features more than 50 beers and ciders with music by Donnie Everett and Grindstone at the CAF High Sky Wing. Tickets available at the door or at highskywing.org. 7 p.m.

See complete schedule of weekend events on Page 2B.

## MOVIES



Films opening and closing this week at Midland theaters.

### TALL CITY 14

Opening: "Blockers," "The Miracle Season," "A Quiet Place."  
Closing: "Love, Simon," "Tomb Raider," "Unsane."

### CINERGY CINEMAS

Opening: "Blockers," "A Quiet Place."  
Closing: "Game Night," "Tomb Raider."

### STAYING IN!

Find out which movies are worth watching from the comfort of your couch. Page 5B.

## COMING SOON



The Double Brothers headline the Horseshoe Amphitheater at 7:30 p.m. April 15 with Pat Sajak and J. Lo. Tickets are now on sale at midlandhorseshoe.com.



From left, Ben Spence, Matt Scott and Timothy Leyba perform in Midland Community Theatre's "A Comedy of Tenors" at the Midland Community Theatre. Photo by James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram.

# MCT veteran has first lead in 'A Comedy of Tenors'

By Rich Lopez  
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The subdued nature of Matt Scott is an ironic one. He's often seen onstage at Midland Community Theatre in a variety of boisterous supporting or ensemble roles. He sings and dances, but in person, he's far more on the mellow side. On Friday he dives into his new role as the lead in "A Comedy of Tenors." "I'm playing the exact opposite of me," Scott said. "Even though the character is my antithesis, it's been a lot of fun doing it." "A Comedy of Tenors" opens Friday at MCT. In the sequel of sorts to "Lend Me a Tenor," Tito Morelli (Scott) is an Italian superstar opera singer signed on to sing in "the concert of the century" at the Paris Olympics in the 1930s. Shenanigans are a given when Morelli's wife, an ex-girlfriend and a case of mistaken identity add drama to this comedy. The production is in cooperation with

## IF YOU GO

"A Comedy of Tenors," produced in cooperation with Midland College. 7:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. 2:30 p.m. April 15. Opens Friday and runs through April 21 at Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. \$28. mctmidland.org.

Midland College and features theater students Katie McQueen and Timothy Leyba.

Scott has been onstage for the past five years, but Tito is his first lead role for MCT. He's been seen in "A Christmas Story," "The Addams Family" and most recently in "Mamma Mia." For "Tenors," he's OK with the leap.

"I'm feeling pretty good," he said. "I've only been at this for a few years, so it's all still feels new to me."

He said his breakthrough didn't come until 2016's "Sweeney Todd," in which he played Beetle Bamford.

"I got past being this dead spot onstage and put emotion into the character. I would contain myself a lot starting out. Projecting was a problem for me — or even adding an intensity. I think I just took the filter off and let everything go," he said.

His background is music. He plays the trumpet and he sang in MC's choir, but it wasn't until he was in the pit choir for MC's "Jesus Christ Superstar" in 2013 that he got bit by the acting bug. He was asked to audition for "Christmas Story," and he's been in every show since.

"I won the Hammock Hammy Award for most appearances two years in a row," he said. He said he feels a little pressure taking on the lead, but his stage experience is the same as it ever was.

"I like becoming a family with the cast," he said. "Having this intense bond with people is what makes it an interesting experience each time."



## FARMER'S MARKET

# HEAT INDEX: Farmers Market opens new season; vintage vinyl goes on sale

By Rich Lopez  
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## STAND UP MIDLAND AT MIDLAND COLLEGE

This free family event packs a lot into a short time. Listen to the blues from the local Tim Kretz Band while enjoying a hot dog dinner. Guests will also get to meet some Disney princesses and team mascots. Children can get their face painted before heading into the jumpers. All folks have to take is a lawn chair or two. The event does have a serious side. As April is Child Abuse Prevention Month, Stand Up Midland acknowledges that and represents the community standing up together to raise awareness. A good cause and a good time makes this a win-win.

6 p.m. today at MC's Beal Plaza, 3600 N. Garfield Road. Facebook: @standupmidland.

## VINTAGE VINYL MARKETPLACE AT DEE'S BISTRO AND GRILL

Record collectors may be in heaven come Saturday. The antique and collectibles shop Vintage Deluxe sets up in the Dee's Bistro space to offer records for sale. Recent Instagram posts show there are records from David Bowie, Guns N' Roses, The Beatles and Run DMC, and that is barely a handful of the titles they have for sale. Serious collectors, retro hipsters and music lovers will surely find something among the LPs and 45s. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday at 622 N. Lee Ave., Odessa.

## MIDLAND DOWNTOWN FARMERS MARKET AT MUSEUM OF THE SOUTHWEST

It's back. The Farmers Market opens its 11th season at the Museum of the Southwest. Time to stock up on locally grown produce, artisanal soaps and even coffee and foods made right here in the area. Opening day will also include live music by Sara Rachel and food trucks onsite. 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturday at 1705 W. Missouri Ave. midlanddowntownfarmersmarket.com

## "MR. TAMBOURINE MAN" BY THE MIDLAND-ODESSA SYMPHONY AND CHORALE

The MOSC performs the. Please see HEAT INDEX/Page 3B

## JOCELYN NOVECK

Associated Press



# Krasinski's 'A Quiet Place' is intoxicatingly creepy movie

Let's start with a popcorn warning. If you're bringing your usual tub of multiplex popcorn into "A Quiet Place," just be aware that you'll be hearing every single crunch.

That's because much of John Krasinski's ingeniously creepy new film, in which he stars alongside his real-life better half, Emily Blunt, takes place in virtual silence. This is a movie about a world where noise gets you killed. In fact, if you ate popcorn IN the movie, you'd quickly be dead. Unless you were standing by a waterfall. More on that in a minute.

Krasinski, in his third feature outing as director, has a lot going for him here: An inventive premise (was it dreamed up by some vengeful librarian?), a terrific cast featuring two extremely effective child actors, and the always superb Blunt, who can register fear, joy, love and anxiety in one scene without needing to utter a word. He takes all this and runs with it, producing a taut, goose-pimpling thriller that earns its jump-out-of-your-seat moments and only occasionally strains its own logic — and then, who really cares? It's a monster flick!

We begin on "Day 89." But what exactly happened 89 days ago? Our

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# CALENDAR

## HAPPENING THIS WEEK

### CLASSES, LECTURES & WORKSHOPS

**Gratitude, Compassion and Forgiveness** class by the Lifestyle Medicine Center. Space is limited so registration is required. 6 p.m. today at Midland Memorial West Campus, 4214 Andrews Highway. \$5. eventbrite.com.

**Knit and Stitch** is a modern sewing circle for knitters, quilters and others. All are invited to bring current projects to work on. 6 p.m. today at Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa. Free. noelartmuseum.org.

**West Texas Iris Society** will meet to discuss entries for the group's 40th annual Iris Show. 7 p.m. today at Senior Link Midland, 3301 Sinclair Ave. Midland Town Hall with Beto O'Rourke. 9:45-11 a.m. Saturday at Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane.

**Beginning Hand Sewing.** 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N. Free but registration is required. tinyurl.com/mplhandsew.

**RePete's History: Anglo-Saxon Paganism** lecture and discussion. 7 p.m. Saturday at Unitarian Universalist Church, 3301 Neely Ave. Free.

**Art Digitization Workshop.** This introductory workshop will teach how to stage, light and digitally photograph 2D and 3D art. 2-4 p.m. Sunday at Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa. \$5. noelartmuseum.org.

**Open Shop Nights** are hosted by the Midland Gem and Mineral Society and open to the public. Visitors can watch members cut rock and work on lapidary projects. 6:30-9 p.m. Mondays at 602 S. Main St. midlandgemandmineral.org.

**Palette Club Painting.** 9 a.m. to noon, Tuesdays at the Palette Club, 907 W. Wadley Ave. paletteclubmidland.com.

**Watercolor art classes** by Sara Drescher. The class is for all levels. 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at Arts Council of Midland, 1506 W. Illinois Ave. acmidland.org.

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**HOPS AND PROPS**

**Sale.** 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday at Sibley Nature Center, 1307 E. Wadley Ave.

**Market at the Gardens.** 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday at Allredge Gardens, 3300 N. Fairgrounds Road.

**Vintage Vinyl Marketplace.** 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday at Dee's Bistro and Grill, 622 N. Lee Ave., Odessa.

**Great American Cleanup/Don't Mess with Texas Trash-off** appreciation picnic. 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Washington Park, 1803 E. Indiana Ave. keepmidlandbeautiful.org.

**Miss Sunburst Pageant and Beautiful Baby Contest** for boys and girls infant to 3 years and girls 4 to 7 years old. 1-3 p.m. Sunday at Midland Park Mall, 4511 N. Midkiff Road. sunburstbeauty.com.

### FAMILY & YOUTH

**Writing is Magic** teen writing club for ages 13-19. 4:30 p.m. Friday at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N.

**Evening Storytime** at the Library. 4:30 p.m. (2-6 years) Fridays at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N.

**First Friday** is a family movie and game night hosted by Permian Basin LGBTQ+ (plus). Enjoy board games and a movie screening of "Guardians of the Galaxy" for children. This evening will also include the group's general meeting and special election for officers. 7 p.m. Friday at Sleep Inn and Suites of Midland, 5612 Deauville Road. Free. plgbtq.org.

**Adventures in Art: Still Life.** Children ages 6-12 will see Camille Engel's exhibition and then create a still life. 2:30-4:30 p.m. Sunday at Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa. \$18-\$20. noelartmuseum.org.

**Evening Family Storytime** offers songs, stories and literacy activities for ages 2 to 6 and their caregivers. 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N.

**Storytime** at the Library. 10:30 a.m. (birth-2 years), 11:30 a.m. (2-6 years), Wednesdays. Tickets required for later sessions due to limited space. Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N.

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**Trieger Barbecue Classics Shop Class.** Pitmasters will provide interactive instruction to take barbecuing to the next level. 5-9 p.m. today at Westlake Ace Hardware, 1004 Andrews Highway.

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**Artisan Art Walk** will feature a juried art show, demonstrations, live music and more. Friday-Sunday at Parks Legado Town Center, 7260 E. Highway 191, Odessa.

**OPENING: "The Fragile Bee"** is an exhibition of artwork by Nancy Macko comprised of photographs, prints and mixed media installation. Opens Saturday and runs through July 8. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. from Tuesday through Saturday, and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. At the Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. museumsw.org.

**"Mis Quince Años"** celebrating the 15th anniversary of The University of Texas of the Permian Basin Folklorico. The event will also include a pre-show art exhibit by the Odessa Hispanic Art Association and the Permian High School's Foreign Language Department. Guest performances by: Mariachi Marta Rey Y Celina Vasquez, Grupo Diversidad De Permian High School, Grupo De Danza La Flor De Lee Freshmen and Ballet Folklorico Las Aguilas De Oro Infantil. 6 p.m. Monday at Wagner Noel, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. Free. wagnernoel.com.

**Permian Basin Dance Club** with live country music. 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Crown Royal Club, 1110 E. Scharbauer Drive. \$6. For more information, call 638-3707 or 250-8215.

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**highskywing.org.**  
**Steak Night.** 6 p.m. Wednesdays through April 18 at Little Woodrow's, 3415 N. Loop 250.

### GAMES

**Bingo Nights.** The American Legion Auxiliary hosts weekly play throughout the week. 7 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays, 4 p.m. Sundays. 501 Veterans Airpark Lane. 682-5511.

**Zia Park Casino Hotel and Racetrack** bus trips by Midland Shuttle Services. Departs at 5 p.m. First Fridays and Sundays to Hobbs, New Mexico. \$55 for adults, \$45 for 65 and older. RSVP by calling 260-5428. midlandshuttle-services.com.

**Hold 'em** poker tournaments, 7 p.m. Fridays at The Detour, 1709 Rankin Highway.

**Bridge lessons.** 10 a.m. Saturdays at Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley Ave. \$3. Permianbridgeclub.com.

**Yugioh tournaments.** 6-10 p.m. Saturdays at Entertainment, 3111 W. Cuthbert Ave. \$5.

**Bingo.** 6 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays at the Tall City FVW Post 7208, 1306 E. Taylor Ave. Children welcome.

**Bridge game play.** 6:45 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays; 1 p.m. Tuesdays; 10:30 a.m. Saturdays; 1:30 p.m. Sundays. Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley Ave. \$6. For more information call 682-8595.

**Monday Mayhem** features unlimited bowling for \$14.09 with free shoe rentals after 8 p.m. Bowlero, 5320 W. Loop 250 N. bowlero.com.

**Live Trivia by Challenge Entertainment.** 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Basin Burger House, 607 N. Colorado St.

**Two-Dollar Tuesdays** with the same price for games, shoes, select beers and arcade card after 8 p.m. Bowlero, 5320 W. Loop 250 N. bowlero.com.

**Trivia Game Night.** 7 p.m. Wednesdays at True Texas BBQ, 5407 Andrews Highway. Free.

**Live Trivia by Challenge Entertainment.** 8 p.m. Wednesdays at Torino's, 3303 N. Midkiff Road. challengeentertainment.com.

### MUSIC

**BIG BAND**  
**Spring Band Concert** by the Midland Community Band. 7 p.m. Saturday in the Allison Fine Arts Center at Midland College, 3600 N. Garfield Road. Free.

**CLASSICAL**  
**MOSC Masterworks:** "Mr. Tambourine Man," 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. MOSC.org.

**CONTEMPORARY CHRISTIAN**  
**Castling Crowns, I Am They.** 7 p.m. Friday at Andrews County Expo, 1441 E. State Highway. Andrews. \$30-\$65.

**COUNTRY**  
**Flatland Cavalry,** 9 p.m. Today at Rockin' Rodeo, 4400 N. Big Spring St. \$15. rockinrodeosmidland.com.

**COVENTRY**  
**Rennie's Blind,** 9 p.m. Friday and 7 at Your Place, 3704 W. Wall St.

**DJ/DANCE**  
**DJ Bryan,** 9 p.m. Thursdays at Supernova Nightclub, 2215 N. Midland Drive.

**DJ Wildman,** 9 p.m. Friday and Sunday at the Lift on 7th, 1401 E. Seventh St. Odessa.

**DJ Paul,** 9 p.m. Friday at Supernova Nightclub, 2215 N. Midland Drive. \$10.

**DJ Joel,** 9 p.m. Saturdays at Supernova Nightclub, 2215 N. Midland Drive. \$10.

**#HangoverSundays,** 7 p.m. Sunday at Arrium Lounge, 3904 W. Wall St.

**DRAG**  
**"RePaul Drag Race"**

viewing party with host Ayyva Nevaeh. 7 p.m. Thursdays through April 20 at The Recovery Room, 2802 N. County Road West, Odessa. Facebook: @therecoveryroom432.

**HIP-HOP/RAP**  
**Jerky and Jamz** with Dubb Sicks, Dama Nilz, DJ Spree and more. 9 p.m. Friday at The Club, 1023 S. Grant Ave., Odessa.

**KARAOKE**  
**Karaoke.** 9 p.m. Sunday at The Detour Bar, 1708 Rankin Highway. thedetourbar.com.

**Karaoke and pool** tournament. Tuesdays at The Lone Star Bar, 621 W. Wall St.

**Karaoke Wednesdays** with DJ Savage and host Ayyva Nevaeh. 9 p.m. Wednesdays at The Recovery Room, 2802 N. County Road West, Odessa. Facebook: @therecoveryroom432.

### OUTDOORS, SPORTS & FITNESS

**Free skateboarding** lessons. noon-1:30 p.m. Thursdays at RTD Skatepark. rtdskatepark.com.

**Midland RockHounds** play Springfield Cardinals. 7 p.m. today-Saturday at Security Bank Ballpark. \$16-\$10. midlandrockhounds.org.

**The Life Center** Foundation Clay Shoot. Fee includes barbecue, refreshments and gun prizes. First flight, 9 a.m., second flight 1 p.m. Friday at Jake's Clays, 13301 Farm-to-Market Road 1379. thelifecenters.org.

**Celebrate Service.** Greenwood High School baseball will host a veterans and active-duty military appreciation ceremony. Military can enjoy a complimentary meal before the ceremony. The event will be followed by GHS varsity baseball game against Monahans. 5:30 p.m. Friday at Greenwood High School, 2700 FM 1379.

**Odessa Jackalopes** against Shreveport Mudbugs. 7:11 p.m. Friday and Saturday at Ector County Coliseum, 4201 Andrews Highway, Odessa. jackalopes.org.

**Family Nite** roller skating. Sundays from 2-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. at KC's Nutty Roller, 1004 Andrews Highway. kcsnuttyroller.com.

**Midland RockHounds** play the Tulsa Drillers. 5 p.m. Sunday at Security Bank Ballpark. \$16-\$10. midlandrockhounds.org.

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**STAGE, COMEDY & FILM**

**Poetry Night** will be facilitated by UTPB's Jason Leggs and include a haiku workshop. 6 p.m. today at Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa. Free. noelartmuseum.org.

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**Summer Mommers Kick-off Party.** Celebrate the 70th season of Summer Mommers and learn about volunteer opportunities with food and beverages before auditions. 3-5 p.m. Sunday at Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave.

**"My Backyard"** dome show, 1 p.m. Recommended for ages 3-5. Tuesdays-Saturdays in February. Blakemore Planetarium, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. museumsw.org.

**"Robot Explorers"** 3D dome show 4 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays, 3 p.m. Sundays in February. Blakemore Planetarium, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. museumsw.org.

**"Two on Top,"** 2:30 p.m. April 15 at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. liveonstage-pt.com.

**"The Amendment"** details the true story of Brooks Douglas, who became Oklahoma's youngest state senator. 7 p.m. April 12 at Tall City Stadium 14, 4915 SW Loop 250. \$13.50. fathomevents.com.

**John Baumann.** 8 p.m. April 12 at Rockin' Rodeo, 4400 N. Big Spring St. rockinrodeosmidland.com.

**The 95th annual meeting** of the West Texas Historical Association. April 13-14 at First United Methodist Church, 37 E. Beauregard Ave., San Angelo. wdha.org.

**"Man of La Mancha"** by Sul Ross Theatre. April 13-29. 8:15 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays in Marshall Auditorium at Sul Ross University, E. Highway 90, Alpine. \$12. Sulross.edu.

### COMING SOON

#### APRIL

**"Two for the Road"** advance screening of the Big Bend episode. Pizza will be served. 12:30 p.m. April 12 at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 Loop 250. basinpbs.org.

**Clay Walker.** 7 p.m. April 12 at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. \$34-\$59. wagnernoel.com.

**"The Amendment"** details the true story of Brooks Douglas, who became Oklahoma's youngest state senator. 7 p.m. April 12 at Tall City Stadium 14, 4915 SW Loop 250. \$13.50. fathomevents.com.

**John Baumann.** 8 p.m. April 12 at Rockin' Rodeo, 4400 N. Big Spring St. rockinrodeosmidland.com.

**The 95th annual meeting** of the West Texas Historical Association. April 13-14 at First United Methodist Church, 37 E. Beauregard Ave., San Angelo. wdha.org.

**"Man of La Mancha"** by Sul Ross Theatre. April 13-29. 8:15 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays in Marshall Auditorium at Sul Ross University, E. Highway 90, Alpine. \$12. Sulross.edu.

**"Two for the Road"** advance screening of the Big Bend episode. Meet the hosts of the show. 6:30 p.m. April 13 at Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa. Basinpbs.org.

**Night Market** features food by Bus 22, local vendors, live DJ and more. 6:30 p.m. April 13 at 312 N. Colorado St.

**A Night of Music & Comedy** with Mark Lowry. 7:30 p.m. April 13 at First Methodist Midland, 300 N. Main St. \$20-\$25. VIP packages available. trinitycommunications.org.

**Old Sorehead Trade Days.** April 14 and 15 in downtown Stanton. Facebook: @stantonoldsoreshtheadtradedays.

**Food is Medicine** with Dr. Scott Stoll. The event covers plant-based nutrition, shopping and planning meals. 7:30 a.m. April 14 at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. \$25. wagnernoel.com.

**Blue Ribbon Run X:** The Race to End Child Abuse. 8:30 a.m. 1K, 9 a.m. 5K. April 14 at Midland Memorial Stadium, 2001 W. Cuthbert Ave. midlandchildwelfare.com.

**"Y-DNA Testing for Genealogical Research"** with Charles Acree. The Midland Genealogical Society hosts this program on male testing for surname relationships. Open to the public. 10:30 a.m. April 14 at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N. Free. Facebook: @MidlandTxGenealogicalSociety.

**"Luisa Miller"** by The Met: Live in HD. Placido Domingo stars in the Verdi opera, which is the first production by The Metropolitan Opera in more than a decade. 11:55 a.m. April 14 at Tall City Stadium 14, 4915 SW Loop 250. \$23.77 adults, \$21.60 seniors, \$17.28 children. fathomevents.com.

# EVENTS & MORE

## It's parents gone wild in laugh-out-loud funny 'Blockers'

Comedy writer Kay Cannon honed her writing chops on "30 Rock," "New Girl" and all three "Pitch Perfect" films. Now she's bringing her weirdo-girly sensibility to the director's chair, making her directorial debut on the raunchy teen sex comedy "Blockers" (just say the synonym for the rooster illustrated on the title, and it'll all make sense).

With a script by Brian and Jim Kehoe, "Blockers" is a comedy built on the premise that teens speak a different, secret language, filled with symbolic emojis and abbreviations parents just don't understand. On a deeper level, it dives into the anxiety that overprotective parents have about their daughters growing up too fast, actualized here as a prom night sex pact. In "Blockers," the girls do go wild, but the parents go even wilder to try and stop them.

Two trios of performers square off — in one corner, we have the up-and-coming stars Kathryn Newton, Geraldine Viswanathan and Gideon Adlon as Julie, Kayla and Sam, who have been best friends since kindergarten. In the other corner, we've got Leslie Mann, John Cena and Ike Barinholtz as Lisa, Mitchell and Hunter, the parents thrown together by default when their kids befriended each other.

"Blockers" gets off to a bit of a rocky start. The character backstories are essentially nonexistent and their relationships are confusing. The story is marked by a confluence of conveniently timed reveals — prom falls on a school day, and Julie receives her acceptance letter to UCLA that afternoon. It feels forced and doesn't find its rhythm until the prom gets underway and the parents hop into the minivan to stop the sex pact.

Although the idea of parents hysterically trying to stop their 18-year-old daughters from "losing their innocence" seems like a downright retrograde notion, "Blockers" takes care to include the counterargument that's a far more modern approach to sexuality and gender equality. Mitchell's wife, Marcie (Sarayu Blue) — the only seemingly sensible adult — argues their girls should be allowed to explore their sexuality on their own terms. Those moments, though essentially shoehorned in, are crucial for the film to work.

It takes a while to rev up, but "Blockers" is often laugh-out-loud funny, thanks to the

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cast — you just wish they all had a little more to work with. The sweet oddball Mann plays the overly-attached mom with a penchant for strangely detailed stories, and WWE star Cena fully steps into his own as a comedic actor here — and steals the show. He's shown his faculty for comedy in "Trainwreck" and "Sisters," and he has a gift for delivery and timing. As the straight-laced superdad, he's often the butt of the joke (quite literally during a certain chugging contest). He leans into this dorky persona, as the hulking jock with hands the size of hubcaps who's just a naive and earnest teddy bear. Barinholtz rounds out the trio as a deadbeat dad trying to do right.

The breakout stars of "Blockers" are easily Viswanathan and Adlon. Watching Viswanathan inhabit the self-possessed, supremely confident Kayla is like seeing Emma Stone for the first time in "Superbad." We watch her become a movie star on screen, and the comic chemistry she shares with Cena, who plays her dad, always coaching her to be the best she can be (with a few body slams thrown in for good measure) is the best part of "Blockers."

This raunchy teen sex comedy radically places teen girls in the driver's seat of their own sexual agency, but it never sacrifices the dumb, weird or gross moments that make the genre what it is — be that for better or for worse.

### 'BLOCKERS'

2.5 stars  
Cast: Leslie Mann, John Cena, Ike Barinholtz, Kathryn Newton, Gideon Adlon, Geraldine Viswanathan.  
Directed by Kay Cannon.  
Running time: 1 hour, 42 minutes.  
Rated R for crude and sexual content, and language throughout, drug content, teen partying, and some graphic nudity.

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## NOVECK

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first clue is that there's nobody in the streets of the desolate town where the Abbott family — Lee, Evelyn and three young kids — makes a precarious shopping trip. The family has ventured on foot from their farmhouse to search an abandoned store for badly needed medicine. The next clue is all the "Missing" posters on the streets. What happened to all these folks? The most obvious clue is that the family cannot speak, or make a sound. They communicate in sign language, and walk barefoot on soft sand and dirt so even their feet won't give them away.

An early, shocking tragedy makes it clear what they're up against: evil, hungry monsters who consume anyone who catches their attention with sound. Soon, that fateful Day 89 skips ahead to Day 472. The monsters still rule, and now Evelyn (Blunt) is pregnant. As the family goes about its soundless daily routines — cooking meals silently, eschewing the washer-dryer for hand washing, playing board games with soft pieces, dancing to music on headphones — one wonders how they'll possibly bring a baby into the world without making noise.

Krasinski and fellow screenwriters Bryan Woods and Scott Beck are cleverly tapping into universal parental angst here. First, childbirth, already pretty darned painful and stressful, is made even more difficult — you can't even scream! And how on Earth can you keep a newborn from crying? More broadly, there's the constant fear for Lee and Evelyn that any daily task can lead to an errant noise, and quickly, death. What's worse than feeling like you can't protect your child? "There's nothing to be scared of," Lee (Krasinski)

tells young son Marcus reassuringly at one point, as they leave the house. "Of course there is," the boy replies, correctly.

Basically the only place where one can talk freely, in this world, is next to the roaring waterfall where Lee takes Marcus (an appealingly sensitive Noah Jupe) one day. Because the waterfall is louder than they are, they can holler with abandon. They've left older sister Regan at home to help Mom. Despite her obvious smarts and instincts, Regan is technically at even greater risk from the evil creatures, because she is deaf and can't hear them even if they're right behind her. To survive, she will need to be more resourceful than anyone else in the family. (Regan is embodied with warmth and poignancy by young deaf actress Millicent Simmonds).

Remember we said this movie earned its jump-out-of-your-seat moments? There's one in particular, involving Blunt, that is applause-worthy, and you'll know it when you see it. There's also a terrifying sequence in a grain silo, reminiscent of the movie "Witness," and an errant nail sticking out of a wooden plank is used quite (ouch) effectively.

"A Quiet Place" may not have the weighty social meaning or piercing comedy of another recent high-profile horror thriller, "Get Out." But like that movie it is smart, it moves fast, it has a hugely satisfying ending — and it deserves to attract a much broader audience than the usual horror film devotees.

But just watch out for that popcorn. Crunch too loud, and you're a goner. "A Quiet Place," a Paramount Pictures release, is rated PG-13 by the Motion Picture Association of America "for terror and some bloody images." Running time: 90 minutes. Three stars out of four.

### FILM CAPS

"Acrimony" (R) Taraji P. Henson stars as a woman wronged by her husband. With Lyric Beir, Crystal Searcy, Ajona Alexus, Antonio Madison. Written and directed by Tyler Perry.

"Black Panther" (PG-13) Chadwick Boseman stars as the King of Wakanda faces external threats to his peaceful home. With Michael B. Jordan, Lupita Nyong'o, Danai Gurira, Martin Freeman. Written by Ryan Coogler & Joe Robert Cole. Directed by Coogler.

"Blockers" (R) Three parents attempt to prevent their teenage daughters from losing their virginity at prom. With Leslie Mann, Ike Barinholtz, John Cena, Kathryn Newton, Geraldine Viswanathan, Gideon Adlon. Written by Brian Kehoe & Jim Kehoe, Jon Hurwitz & Hayden Schlosberg, Eben Russell. Directed by Kay Cannon.

"God's Not Dead: A Light in Darkness" (PG) A fire and subsequent pressure from a local university threatens a congregation's existence and challenges its pastor. With David A.R. White, John Corbett, Shane Harper, Ted McGinley, Jennifer Taylor, Tatum O'Neal. Written and directed by Michael Mason.

"I Can Only Imagine" (PG) Faith-based drama based on the life of MercyMe singer Bart Millard. With J. Michael Finley, Madeline Carroll, Trace Adkins, Priscilla Shirer, Cloris Leachman, Dennis Quaid. Written by Jon Erwin & Brent McCortle, based on

the song by MercyMe. Directed by the Erwin Brothers.

"Midnight Sun" (PG-13) Teen love is threatened by a 17-year-old girl's life-threatening sensitivity to sunlight. With Bella Thorne, Patrick Schwarzenegger, Rob Riggle, Quinn Shephard. Written by Kanji Bando. Directed by Scott Speer.

"The Miracle Season" (PG) A high school girls' volleyball team strives for the state championship after losing its best player in an accident. With Helen Hunt, William Hurt, Danika Yarosh, Erin Moriarty. Written by David Aaron Cohen, Elissa Matsueda. Directed by Sean McNamara.

"Pacific Rim Uprising" (PG-13) A new generation of the gigantic, human-piloted fighting machines must vanquish monstrous beasts to save humanity. With John Boyega, Scott Eastwood, Jing Tian, Colleen Spangrow, Rinko Kikuchi, Burn Gorman, Adria Arjona, Charlie Day. Written by Emily Carmichael & Kira Snyder and Steven S. DeKnight and T.S. Nowlin; story by DeKnight and Nowlin; based on characters created by Travis Beacham. Directed by DeKnight.

"Paul, Apostle of Christ" (PG-13) Luke struggles to spread the Gospel as Paul is held captive during the reign of Roman emperor Nero. With Jim Caviezel, James Faulkner, Olivier Martinez, John Lynch, Jeanine Huelley. Written and directed by Andrew Hyatt.

"A Quiet Place" (PG-13) A family faces terror in the woods.

With Emily Blunt, John Krasinski, Noah Jupe, Millicent Simmonds. Written by Bryan Woods & Scott Beck and Krasinski. Directed by Krasinski.

"Ready Player One" (PG-13) An immense virtual reality universe of the future is the location of a treasure hunt after its creator dies and leaves his fortune to be found within. With Tye Sheridan, Latta Wright, Olivia Cooke, Ben Mendelsohn, T.J. Miller, Simon Pegg, Mark Rylance. Written by Zak Penn and Ernest Cline, based on the novel by Cline. Directed by Steven Spielberg.

"Sherlock Gnomes" (PG) Garden gnomes Gnomeo and Juliet and their family and friends return, aided by the famous detective in this animated sequel. Voices by James McAvoy, Emily Blunt, Chiwetel Ejiofor, Maggie Smith, Michael Caine, Johnny Depp. Directed by John Stevenson.

"Tomb Raider" (PG-13) Alicia Vikander stars as Lara Croft, who searches for her long-missing father in this reboot of the action-adventure series based on the video game. With Dominic West, Walton Goggins, Daniel Wu, Derek Jacobi, Kristin Scott Thomas. Written by Geneva Robertson-Dworet and Alastair Siddons. Directed by Roar Uthaug.

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season's final Masterworks concert with the music of Bob Dylan. The song cycle "Mr. Tambourine Man: Seven Poems of Bob Dylan" was written by Oscar- and Grammy-

winning composer John Corigliano, who used the poetry of Dylan when it was commissioned by Carnegie Hall. Soprano Amy Burton is the guest vocalist for the night. The concert will also feature "Voyage" by Corigliano



and "La Mer" by Claude Debussy. Not a bad way to finish out the Masterworks season.

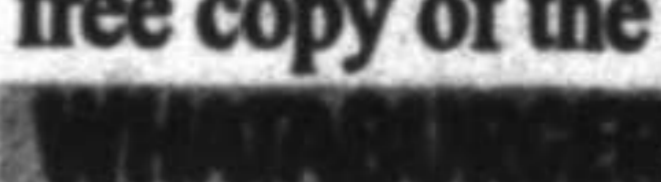
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# ON SCREEN

## 'The Last Jedi' is ultimate gift for the Star Wars fan

### PICK O' THE WEEK

**"Star Wars: The Last Jedi" (PG-13)** It should come as no surprise that this rabid Star Wars fan would have this sitting atop her list of favorites this week. Although I regret the high marks I gave Episodes I, II and III when they first hit theaters, I confess I was so giddy with delight over the return of the franchise that I had no perspective. It returned quickly when I watched them a second time and realized my bias led me astray. Not so with the third trilogy. Turning the franchise over to Disney has brought back the thrill and "The Last Jedi" is as thrilling as any film in the series. It casts most of the politics aside and returns to the action, laughs, lovable heroes and adorable critters and droids that made the films so lasting — though R2-D2 is given only a brief, token appearance. It brings some anguish, too, though. Carrie Fisher — to whom the film is dedicated — gives one of her last performances in the film and she will be missed. **A**

### ICK! O' THE WEEK

**"The Executioners" (R)** The misogyny is only slightly less insulting than the stupidity of the plot. **F**

### MORE REVIEWS

**"Acts of Violence" (R)** It's become quite sad

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to see Bruce Willis — once a vaunted action star — seemingly become unable to resist even the most unworthy of roles. But he's been doing it for several years now and there seems to be no end to it, at least as far as this effort is concerned. **D**

**"Beast of Burden" (R)** The theme is remarkably similar to 2013's "Locke" starring Tom Hardy. This time around, though, the car is an airplane and Daniel Radcliffe is trying to carry the virtual one-man show. The similarities end there. "Locke" succeeded because of a great script. This film lacks that element. **C**

**"Brigsby Bear" (PG-13)** Touching tale of a man who was kidnapped as a baby and kept hidden from society by his kidnappers until he is 25. The thoughtful and believable story is a hidden gem. **A-**

**"California Typewriter" (TV-PG)** What do actor Tom Hanks, musician John Mayer and writer David McCullough have in common? They're all admitted typewriter geeks. This absorbing documentary looks at those who still revere the antiquated machinery and the small

shop named in the title that caters to the shrinking fan base. **A-**

**"Caged" (not rated)** The series of vignettes in this intriguing but inconsistent thriller eventually start to make sense and pack quite a punch when they do. **B-**

**"The Clapper" (R)** The tedious life of the main character wears thin very quickly and sinks this uneven comedy. **C-**

**"Crooked House" (PG-13)** Adaptation of Agatha Christie's whodunit is a mixed bag. It doesn't do a great job of cloaking the murderer but it still has a nice slant on taking its audience on the ride. **B**

**"Dirt" (PG-13)** There are no surprises in the character development, dialogue or plot. The race footage is what makes this film more watchable than expected. **B-**

**"Flint" (TV-14)** The horrors of what happened to the water supply in the Michigan town are accurately represented but the film has such a formulaic presentation that it has little drama or appeal. **C**

**"God's Own**

**Country" (not rated)** Mesmerizing love story is bound to draw comparisons to "Brokeback Mountain." It firmly stands on its own merit, though. It also, pound for pound, was a better romance than "Call Me By Your Name." **A**

**"The Square" (R)** The follow-up to Ruben Ostlund's powerful 2014 "Force Majeure" is a stunner. Some of the conversations on this film may not fit snugly within the overall attempt, but they are so spectacular in depth that it doesn't matter. Never has 151 minutes flown by so

quickly without anything blowing up or contained otherworldly characters in capes. **A**

**"24 Hours to Live" (R)** Lifeless action fare that stole much of its plot from the not so great to begin with "Crank" films starring Jason Statham. This film, however, ratchets it down even lower. **F**

**"Victor Crowley" (not rated)** The "Hatchet" horror-comedy franchise returns with the fourth in the series despite the apparent death of the title character in "Hatchet 3."

It is a welcome return for fans of the graphic slasher series. Not as funny as its predecessors but there are still a few laugh-out-loud moments inserted between the graphic gore. **B-**

**"Woody Woodpecker" (PG)** Feature film that stars the animated little bird in a live action world is a travesty to the name and legacy created by Walter Lantz in 1940. Had it been fully animated, the slapstick comedy might have worked and certainly been more faithful. As it is, it's a tough 90 minutes to get through. **D**

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**BASKIN ROBBINS** The national chain has two locations in Midland with its patented 32 flavors and a whole lot more, including some of the best ice cream cakes ever, which you can order online. 2101 W. Wadley Ave. 682-7131 and 5400 Briarwood Ave. 679-0789 www.baskinrobbins.com | \$ | 4 spoons  
**BREW ST. BAKERY** Customer service is lagging, according to one online review but the baked goods at the end of the line are worth the wait. Menu also boasts premium coffee, craft beer and wine. 4610 N. Garfield St. 218-7334 | \$ | 4 spoons  
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**CABIN CREEK COFFEE & TEA** The former TeaCo has changed its name but is still under the same ownership, offering most of the same loose leaf tea drinks and adding specialty coffee drinks using beans from the Big Bend Roasting Company and a variety of fruit smoothies. 2900 W. Loop 250 N., Ste 60 | 689-5451 | \$ | 4 spoons  
**DAIRY QUEEN** Classic burger and fries fast-food chain owned by Warren Buffett's Berkshire Hathaway is also famous for its soft-serve ice cream, which comes in many ways including shakes, trademark Blizzard, ice cream treats, sundae, banana splits and cakes. Midland has three locations. 3702 W. Wadley St., 694-3801; 706 N. Big Spring St., 684-5445; 802 S. Big

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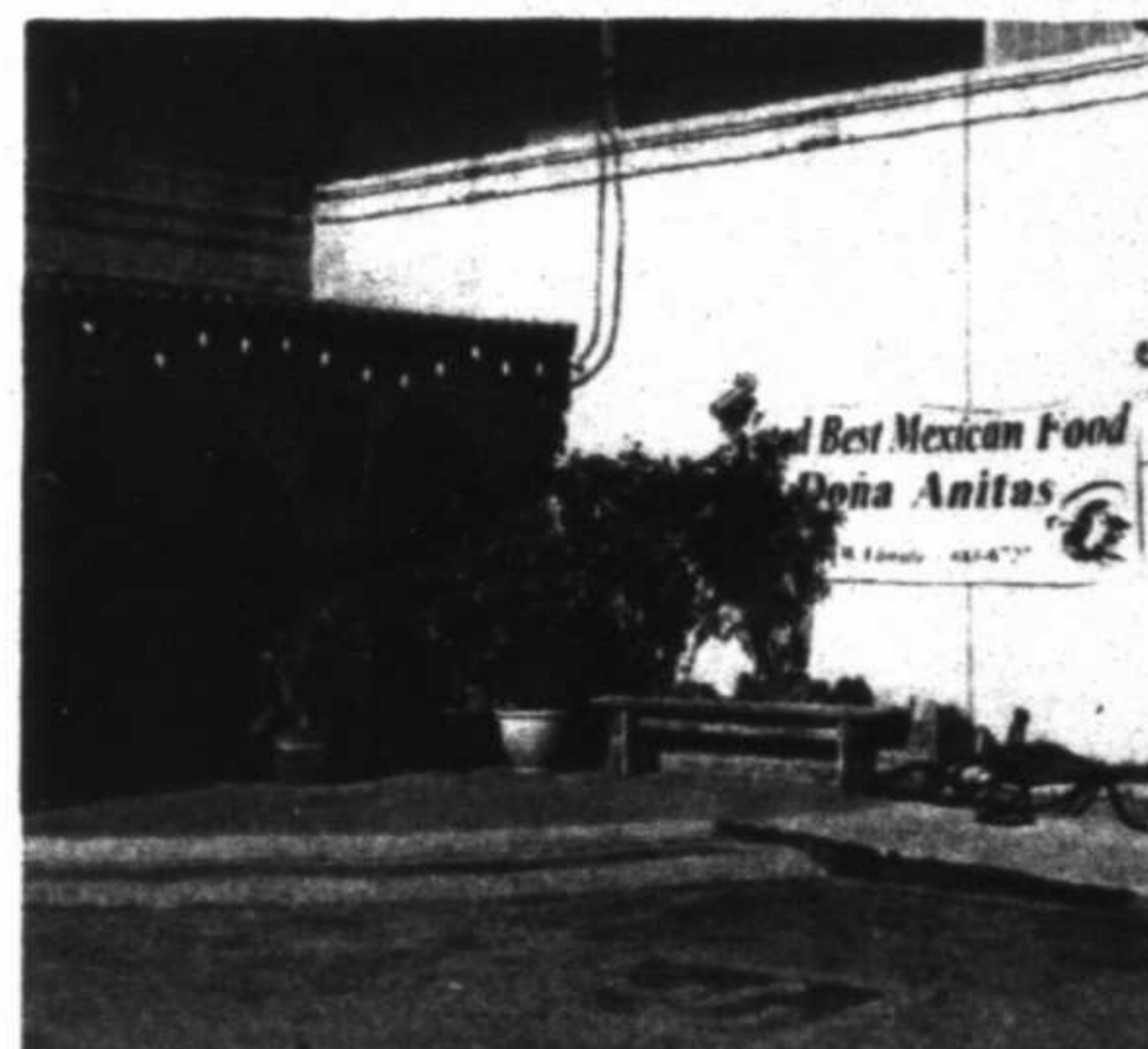
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W. Illinois Ave. 262-5720 Facebook: Café J-Peno | \$ | 3 spoons

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**REYNA'S MEXICAN RESTAURANT** An order of fajitas is too much for one person to eat, but they're so good you'll try anyway. 3601 W. Wall St. 699-2109 | \$ | 4 spoons

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**TAMPICO SPANISH INN** Go early to get a table. Start with an appetizer such as queso, quesadillas or avocado salad. 2411 W. Wall St. 682-5074 | \$ | 4 spoons

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## DESSERTS

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biggest frozen yogurt chains has long been a Midland favorite. Everything's good, but we recommend the peanut butter cup and banana foster flavors. 5115 W. Wadley Ave. 520-8597 www.tchp.

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KOSA CBS	7	7	CBS 7 News	CBS 7 News	The Big Bang Theory	Sheldon	Mon	Life in Pieces	S.W.A.T.	News	CBS 7 News	CBS 7 News	CBS 7 News	
KWWT CW	5	14	5/14	5/14	5/14	5/14	5/14	5/14	5/14	5/14	5/14	5/14	5/14	
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KHLM HD	11	12	11	12	11	12	11	12	11	12	11	12	11	
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	
KPRT PBS	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	
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FLX	340	575	186	104	104	104	104	104	104	104	104	104	104	
HBO	300	500	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	
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HBO3	304	502	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	
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PLEX	386	513	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	
SHOW	320	505	19	148	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	
TMC	336	529	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	
A&E	27	58	28	35	47	47	47	47	47	47	47	47	47	
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	51	51	51	51	51	51	51	51	
BET	58	-	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	
BRAVO	65	76	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	
CHIC	46	52	39	72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72	72	
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	42	42	42	42	42	42	42	42	
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ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	
ESPN2	34	36	48	32	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	
FX	45	48	53	23	55	55	55	55	55	55	55	55	55	
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	
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HALLMARK	54	71	58	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	
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TEN	41	75	24	63	66	66	66	66	66	66	66	66	66	
TELE	28	-	10	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	52	52	52	52	52	52	52	52	
TNT	24	34	48	26	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	
TYLAND	49	-	35	54	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	
USA	26	55	42	27	49	49	49	49	49	49	49	49	49	
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## Man's decision to keep cancer a secret could impact others

**DEAR ABBY:** I'm writing in response to the man who wants to keep his cancer prognosis secret until he nears the end ("Keeping It to Myself," Jan. 11). My mother was diagnosed with metastatic lung cancer that had spread to her brain. Her dizziness is how we found out. She didn't want to tell anyone for a while (which surprised me because she had always been a drama queen and a hypochondriac), but she ended up telling. It was the best thing she could have done. The four of us kids were there with her through her treatments, she became much closer to the sister she had spent decades hating and she found out who her true friends were. Mom lived four years, until she finally passed in 2006. It's still raw for me. But I'm grateful for the time we had to get closer and share our lives. I hope "Keeping" takes your advice and tells his friends. If he does, he may find these hard times to be some of the "best" times. That's what my mom said. — CLAUDIA IN NEW JERSEY

**DEAR CLAUDIA:** Thank you for sharing. I opened the question to my readers, and like you, most — but not all — agreed with my answer. Read on: **DEAR ABBY:** As a former cancer patient and licensed therapist, I'd urge "Keeping" not to

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share that information if he doesn't want to. Truth is, not all people who hear the news will be supportive. Some will avoid him, some will pity him, and others will say amazingly inappropriate and unhelpful things. A prognosis of two years is a long time for people to react to him — and for him to handle their reactions. I found it stressful to cope with the emotions of others as they reacted to my situation. Until "Keeping" is ready, he should be cautious about with whom he shares his diagnosis. — LYN IN NEW YORK

**DEAR ABBY:** After chemo and clinical trials failed to contain my husband's cancer, he was told he had less than a year to live. We had already shared the initial prognosis with family and friends. Loved ones from near and far have visited him, called and emailed. Their visits have done more for his quality of life than any drug, and have probably extended it. He has also made once-in-a-lifetime trips this past year

with siblings, which would not have happened if we had wanted to disclose his prognosis. Our adult children and grandchildren have spent more time with us and have become more loving and tolerant of each other. "Keeping's" next two years are a blessing and a gift. I hope he uses every moment wisely. — DEBRA IN TEXAS

**DEAR ABBY:** I was in the same situation and, for me, it was not even a choice. I felt I had to tell everyone in our circle. The result was a warm outpouring of support and concern, even from neighbors we barely knew, which particularly helped my wife. I have been very fortunate. My new treatment worked, I am now in remission, and we no longer need day-to-day support. But we have wonderful memories of people who were eager to help. We have established deeper friendships and the experience has made US more generous, too. — MIKE IN OREGON



## GOREN BRIDGE

With Bob Jones

### Matchpoint bridge

Neither vulnerable, North deals

NORTH  
 ♠ 10 7 5  
 ♥ A 10 5  
 ♦ A 3 2  
 ♣ K 5 4 2

EAST  
 ♠ Q  
 ♥ K 7 2  
 ♦ K 8 7 6 5  
 ♣ J 8 6 3

SOUTH  
 ♠ A K 9 8 6 4 2  
 ♥ Q 3  
 ♦ Q 4  
 ♣ Q 10

The bidding:  
 NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST  
 Pass Pass 1♠ Pass  
 2♠ Pass 2NT Pass  
 3NT All pass  
 \*Dummy, spades fit with 10 or more points

Opening lead: Six of ♠

South in today's deal was ACBL Hall of Famer Michael Becker, from Boca Raton, Florida. His unusual rebid was based on the hope that his three queens would provide considerable value in a no-trump contract, hopefully leading to a higher score than what might be available in a spade contract.

The opening heart lead went around to Becker's queen and the ace of spades showed that the spades were running. Becker had 11 sure tricks at this point for a score that would beat anyone taking 11 tricks in spades. A 12th trick would be icing on the cake. The queen of clubs went to West's ace and the king of hearts was won with dummy's ace. There were some chances for an extra trick, mostly depending on the location of the king of diamonds. When Becker played the 10 of spades to his king, East signaled with a high diamond. Becker treated this as an honest card, showing the king, and proceeded accordingly. Becker led a diamond to the ace and then ran all of his spades but one, leaving himself with one spade, the queen of diamonds, and the 10 of clubs. Dummy had the 10 of hearts and the king-five of clubs. On the last spade, West had to come down to a singleton club to hold the jack of hearts. Dummy shed the 10 of hearts, and East shed his king of diamonds in order to keep two clubs. The queen of diamonds and the king of clubs took the last two tricks. Making six for a huge matchpoint score!

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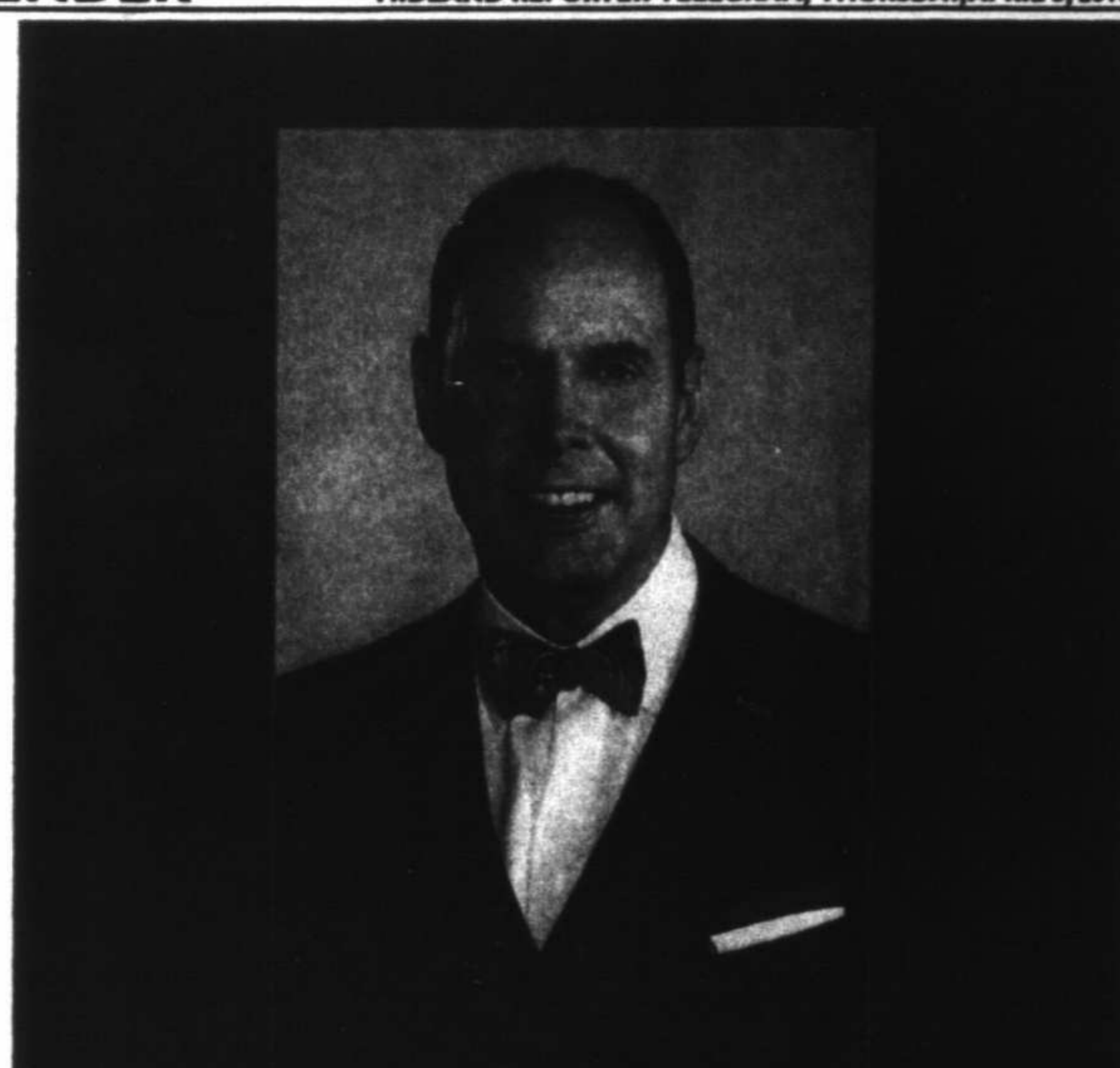
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## Murphy doesn't want to get caught up in hype

By Oscar LeRoy  
oleroy@mrt.com

Sean Murphy of the Midland RockHounds is regarded as one of the top prospects in the Oakland A's organization and one of the best catching prospects all of minor league baseball.

That's all well and good for the 23-year-old, but he knows that those accolades will keep coming as long as he's playing at a top caliber level.

"I'm glad that they like me. It's nice," said Murphy, whose team begins the season at 7 p.m. today with a home game against the Springfield Cardinals. "At the end of the day, you've got to go out there and perform. They can like me now, but if I don't go out there and do my job, they might stop liking me."

Count first-year RockHounds manager

Scott Steinmann as one who has liked what he's seen from Murphy.

"First and foremost, he's a leader," Steinmann said. "He's going to be the leader of our staff because of his presence back there. His knowledge and work ethic is going to allow him to motivate the pitchers to kind of follow him. And he's got the exceptional arm, which is one of the better ones in the minor leagues. Other than that, his receiving skills are good, his blocking skills are good. He's a pretty polished catcher back there. We've just got to keep the bat going and give him an opportunity to get to the big leagues."

After being called up to the Double-A RockHounds last year in his second full year of playing pro ball, Murphy batted .209 with four home runs and 22 RBI in helping Midland capture its fourth straight

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RockHounds manager Scott Steinmann (right) talks with catcher Sean Murphy (left) during practice Wednesday at Security Bank Ballpark.

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

## HUNGRY FOR TITLE



Midland High's Sameira Smith leads her competitors in the 100 meter hurdle during the Tall City Invitational track meet March 2 at Memorial Stadium.

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

## MISD teams look to defend home turf in meet

By Christopher Hadorn  
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The Midland ISD teams are expecting to get stiff competition on their home turf today and Friday when the District 2-6A Track and Field Championships take place at Memorial Stadium.

Amarillo Tascosa, the 2017 defending boys District 2-6A champion, enters the meet as a favorite to repeat.

Although the Midland High girls are coming off two consecutive district championships, the Lady Bulldogs will have their work cut out to "threepeat."

Odessa Permian, Wolforth Frenship and Amarillo Tascosa all have strong cases to make a run for this year's district crown on the girls' side.

The Permian girls are headed by first-year head coach Hil Ochoa, who led

MHS to district titles in 2016 and 2017.

"The seniors that are here this year are really hungry to defend that title," Lady Bulldogs coach Laura Taylor said. "The juniors here, who were part of the district championships, are really hungry to defend that. Yes, we definitely talk about that a lot."

"I would rather have a tough district than an easy one," Taylor added.

The Midland High girls have a strong core of athletes, which includes two-time state meet qualifier Sameira Smith, 400 meter ace Emma Simmons and 800 and 1,600 standout Jenia Mitchell.

But Permian, Frenship and Tascosa have excelled in the three relay events that tally double points and typically decide district crowns.

"There's some good teams in our district, some really fast girls," Lee girls track coach Frank Maldonado said.

"Tascosa has probably got four 100-meter runners that have posted among the top six times in district. The sprint relays are really fast. Permian and Frenship, they have a 4x2 that's extremely fast. They've got good athletes. All three of those teams have really good athletes. They're really, really fast. We're going to do our best to try fight them off."

Like MHS, the Lee girls have a strong backbone of athletes, as senior Ireland Atwood holds the district's season-best mark of 34 feet, 9 3/4 inches in the triple jump, sophomore Paige Low is coming off a win in the shot put at the Lubbock Invitational, junior Lilly Porras has two season wins in the 300 hurdles, junior Avrie Ryan is one of the top contenders in the 200, and sophomore Nayeli

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## Harrison, Alvarez lead Lee past Permian

By Will Korn  
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Starting pitcher Noah Harrison and first baseman Junior Alvarez got things started for the Lee baseball team Wednesday afternoon.

But it didn't take long for their friends to join in on the fun.

The Rebels jumped on Odessa Permian starter Seth Higdon early and then added five runs in the fifth inning to cruise past the visiting Panthers, 9-3 in a District 2-6A contest — that was rescheduled due to windy conditions Tuesday — at Ernie Johnson Field.

With the win, Lee (14-9, 5-3 in District 2-6A) moved into sole possession of second place in the district standings, while Permian (16-10, 3-5) fell into a three-way tie for fourth place with Midland High and Amarillo Tascosa.

Harrison spun six strong innings on the mound, holding Permian to just three earned runs on four hits while striking out five. At the plate, Alvarez paced Lee's 10-hit attack by going 3-for-4 with a double, two triples, five RBI and a run scored.

Harrison, the Rebels' junior right-hander, opened his afternoon with authority, as he mowed down Permian's side in order on 11 pitches in the first. He recorded three 1-2-3 frames during his start and twice stranded a Panther rally of at least two base runners.

In the top of the sixth, Harrison wiggled free of a bases-loaded, two-out jam by inducing a weak pop out to second off the bat of Permian's Nate Kizziar. All afternoon long, he bore down and battled out of trouble when necessary to help keep his team comfortably in front.

Lee head coach Brian Roper said Harrison is continuing to learn and grow with each start.

"I was really proud of Noah. He just keeps getting better every time he goes out," Roper said. "He's a very young junior and he has great work habits. At this level, there's holding runners, being able to throw off speed when you're behind in the count, throwing breaking balls, changeups and sliders in full counts — all that stuff right there, that's the difference. Each time, he's handled those situations better."

Harrison added that he had firm command of each of the three pitches in his repertoire. Perhaps most importantly, he kept the Panthers' leadoff man from reaching base in five of his six innings.

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## High-scoring OHS takes advantage of MHS miscues

By Christopher Hadorn  
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The Odessa High softball team has developed a reputation for scoring in bunches this season.

On Wednesday at Martin Field, Midland High didn't do itself any favors against the Lady Bronchos.

The Lady Bulldogs made five errors and had other fielding lapses, which Odessa High capitalized on during a 9-4 victory in a District 2-6A game rescheduled because of windy conditions Tuesday.

With the game tied 1-1, the Lady Bronchos (19-4-1, 4-2 in District 2-6A) scored five runs in the fourth inning to take a 6-1 lead, while taking advantage of two MHS errors.

The game-changing inning was reminiscent of the District 2-6A opener when OHS scored seven runs in a frame to down the Lady Bulldogs, 8-6, on March

6. The Lady Bronchos have scored a whopping 256 runs this year, averaging 10.7 runs per game.

"I think we're capable of that," OHS head coach Rachel Pella said of the big inning. "When it happens, we try to keep it going. 'All right, we got it, let's just keep it going now.' And I think we do a good job of feeding off each other. When one gets a hit, the next gets a hit. Last time we played them, we had one big inning. This time we played them, we had one big inning. We just try to feed off of that."

Myka High had three RBI for Odessa High, including a two-run single, which turned into a three-run play as the result of an MHS error, during the five-run

fourth inning. Skyler Herrera and Christabelle Aguirre each led OHS with three hits.

In the first five innings, the Lady Bulldogs' bats couldn't match the Lady Bronchos' offensive firepower, as they were held to five hits, one walk and one run by OHS pitcher Sierra Camacho.

"They did a great job," MHS head coach Shawnda Vines said of Odessa. "I don't want to take away anything from that they did. They did a great job. They played well. We did not play well on defense at all. We didn't hit the ball well. When we did get runners on, we left them out there. We didn't put it together very well today."

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Lee's Ty Coleman (3) hits against Permian on Wednesday at Ernie Johnson Field.

DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

TV
Australian Football League
Carton vs. Collingwood, 4:30 a.m., FSP
Baseball
Texas League: Tulsa at Frisco, 7 p.m., FSSW+
College Baseball
Georgia at Vanderbilt, 6 p.m., ESPN2
LSU at Texas A&M, 7 p.m., SEC
Curling
Men's World Championships: USA vs. Canada, 9:30 p.m., NBCSN
Golf
Masters, 1st Round, 2 p.m., ESPN, ESPNDEP
Hockey
AHL: Utica at Toronto, 10 a.m., NHL
Major League Baseball
Tampa Bay at Boston, 1 p.m., MLB
Texas at Oakland, 2:30 p.m., FSSW
Arizona at St. Louis, 6 p.m., MLB
Men's College Hockey
Frozen Four: Minnesota-Duluth vs. Ohio State, 5 p.m., ESPN2
Frozen Four: Michigan vs. Notre Dame, 8:30 p.m., ESPN2
Men's Soccer
UEFA Europa Quarterfinal, Leg 1: Arsenal FC vs. PFC CSKA Moscow, 2 p.m., FS1
UEFA Europa Quarterfinal, Leg 1: Atletico Madrid vs. Sporting CP, 2 p.m., FS2
UEFA Europa Quarterfinal: Multimatch 90, 2 p.m., FSP
Copa Libertadores: CA River Plate vs. Independiente Santa Fe, 5 p.m., FXDEP
Copa Libertadores: Club Bolivar vs. Atletico Nacional, 7:30 p.m., FXDEP
National Basketball Association
Washington at Cleveland, 7 p.m., TNT
Minnesota at Denver, 9:30 p.m., TNT
NBA G League
West Final: South Bay at Austin, 7 p.m., ESPNNews
National Hockey League
Nashville at Washington, 6 p.m., NBCSN
Tennis
WTA: Volvo Car Open, 10 a.m., TENNIS
Women's Soccer
Friendly: USA vs. Mexico, 6 p.m., FS1, UDN
RADIO
Major League Baseball
Texas at Oakland, 1 p.m., KPET 105.1 FM/90 AM (Lamesa), KBST 1490 AM (Big Spring)
Texas League Baseball
Springfield at Midland, 7 p.m., KCRS 95.5 FM/97.5 FM/550 AM

WHAT'S ON DECK

Baseball
Springfield at RockHounds, 7 p.m.
HS Tennis
TAPPS 1-3A District Tennis Tournament, Midland College
HS Track
District 2-6A meet, Memorial Stadium
HS Baseball
Arlington Burton at MCA, 5 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
NEW YORK YANKEES - Acquired INF CF Cody Asche from Kansas City for a player to be named in cash considerations and assigned him to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL)
National League
ATLANTA BRAVES - Designated C Chris Stewart for assignment. Selected the contract of RHP Luke Jackson.
CINCINNATI REDS - Announced C Stuart Turner cleared waivers and was sent outright to Louisville (IL)
Can-Am League
ROCKLAND BOLDFORDS - Signed LHP Garrett Johnson.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
ATLANTA HORNETS - Traded FA Year Covington and Jeremy Evans and transferred G Josh McRoberts and F Andrew White II from Erie (NBAE).
FOOTBALL
National Football League
ATLANTA FALCONS - Agreed to terms with S Jamal Harris.
BALTIMORE RAVENS - Agreed to terms with CB Robert Griffin III on a one-year contract.
BUFFALO BILLS - Agreed to terms with DE Terrence Fee on a one-year contract.
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS - Signed G Jeremy Venson to a one-year contract.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
ARIZONA COYOTES - Traded D Dakota Mermis from Tucson (AHL).
DETROIT RED WINGS - Assigned R/W Evgeny Dzhuravlev, D Joe Hicketts and G Tom McCollum to Grand Rapids (AHL).
WASHINGTON CAPITALS - Signed F Brian Potho to a two-year entry-level contract.
American Hockey League
SAN ANTONIO RAPIDS - Signed D Turner Oshiro to an amateur tryout contract.
SOCCER
United Soccer League
NASHVILLE SC - Signed D David Edgar.
COLLEGE
AUBURN - Announced sophomore G Matthew Hester will enter the NBA draft.
ELIZABETH CITY STATE - Named D. Claude Madley interim athletic director.
GEORGIA - Named Chad Decker men's soccer head coach.
LEHIGH VALLEY - Announced women's soccer head coach G. Danylo Boyko has transferred from Louisiana-Lafayette.
MISSISSIPPI - Named Matt McPherson McCarson men's basketball coach.

NBA GLANCE

Table with columns for Eastern Conference, Northwest Division, Pacific Division, and Western Conference. Lists teams, wins, losses, and percentages.

NHL GLANCE

Table with columns for Eastern Conference and Western Conference. Lists teams, games played, wins, losses, and percentages.

FIGHT SCHEDULE

Friday
At Hard Rock Hotel and Casino, Las Vegas (BVO), Jonny Hend vs. Eddie Lora, 12.
SP-USA junior welterweight Greg Cash vs. James DeLeon, 12, on South SF cage.
middleweight Mike Miller vs. Nathaniel Galloway, 12, junior welterweight.
At Sun City, Phoenix, Ring, Angel Acosta vs. Ryan Hill, 12, for America's Next Top Fighter.
At City Center Hotel and Casino, Las Vegas, Michael Formica vs. Shantelgoe Puentes, 12, welterweight.
April 12
At Fantasy Springs Casino, Indio, Calif. (ESPN2), Francesco Vergara vs. Paul Smith, 14, junior flyweight.
April 13
At Sands CityCenter Hotel and Casino, Las Vegas, Pa. (FS1), Gabe Chetty vs. Dennis Delaney, 14, super featherweight.
At The Flamingo Las Vegas (FS1), Jason Arroy vs. Jeff Hume, 14, welterweight.
April 14
At The Orleans, Las Vegas, Billy Joe Saunders vs. Martin Murray, 12, for Standard BVO.
At MGM CityCenter, Las Vegas, Tony Ferguson vs. Max Holloway, 12, for the vacant WBO super lightweight title.
Dustin Poirier vs. Lyndon Crabb, 14, welterweight.
At Las Vegas, Jason Arroy vs. Jason Dalrymple, 12, for Superfight SF junior welterweight title.

Trinity contingent punches tickets to state tournament

From staff reports

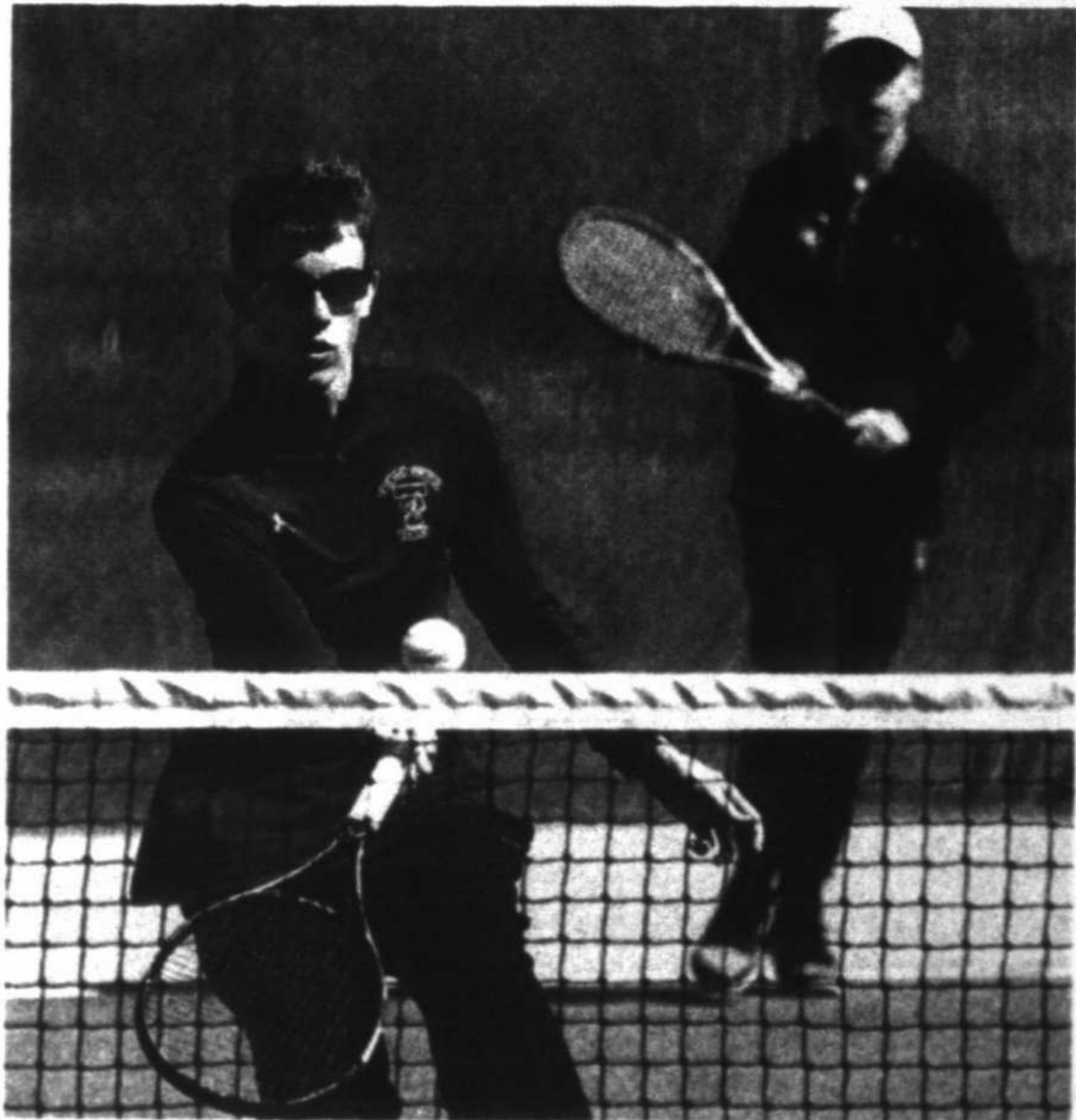
Four Trinity entries punched their tickets to the TAPPS 4A State Tournament during the first day of the TAPPS 1-4A Tennis Tournament, Wednesday at Midland College.

Leading the way for Trinity was the boys doubles team of Dylan Hoffman and Ashwin Gurr, who won two matches to advance to today's final against Fort Worth Lake Country Christian's Ray Clark and Evan Schepelien.

Gurr and Hoffman defeated Dallas Shelton's Dany Demaskiah and Miles Lisply, 6-0, 6-1, in the semifinal.

Also for Trinity, Curtis Wong fell in the boys singles semifinals, Porter Hankins and Blake Carney lost in the boys doubles semifinals, and Lauren Friday and Grace Davis lost in the girls doubles semifinals.

However, Wong, Hankins-Carney and Friday-Davis all qualified for state by virtue of their top six finishes at the tournament. Wong and the two Chargers' doubles teams will play for third place today.



Tin Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Trinity's Porter Hankins returns a shot during doubles play with Blake Carney on Wednesday during TAPPS 1-3A district tennis tournament at the Midland College courts.

NMJC outslugs Chaps in non-conference game

From staff reports

Ryan Rijo belted three home runs to help New Mexico Junior College out-slug Midland College, 26-15 in seven innings in non-conference action, Wednesday at Christensen Stadium.

The Thunderbirds (22-10) scored nine runs in the first inning against three different Chaps pitchers. MC (21-11) answered with a single run in the bottom of the first, before NMJC

added six more runs in the third.

MC fell behind 20-8 after four and a half frames, but rallied for seven runs in the bottom of the fifth to make things interesting. NMJC then put the game out of reach with six-run outburst in the top of the sixth.

Blake Perdue was 3-for-4 with two home runs, four RBI and three runs for the Chaps, who were out-hit, 23-13 in the loss. Teammate Garrett Wilkinson

was 2-for-3 with four RBI and two runs; MHS grad Ethan Barker was 2-for-4 with a double, a triple, three runs and a walk.

For NMJC, Rijo finished 4-for-7 with the three home runs, six RBI and four runs scored. Daniel Hernandez was 3-for-7 with five RBI for NMJC, which totaled seven home runs. Jake Dickenson and Avery Tuck each drove in three runs for the Thunderbirds.

MC resumes Western Junior College Athletic

Conference play when it travels to El Paso Community College for a double-header beginning at 1 p.m. CT Friday.

NEW MEXICO JC vs. MIDLAND COLLEGE vs. NMJC
NEW MEXICO JC: 20-11, 10-10
MIDLAND COLLEGE: 21-11, 10-10
NMJC: 22-10, 10-10
Ryo Robertson, Ryan Lundy (R), Alex Sledge (R), Anthony Chavez (R), David Ortega (D) and Cole Army Brandon Valley, Jacob Wade (L), Carson Bailey (L), Hunter Foster (R), Brayden Pappas (R), Carter Foster (R) and Cameron Mathews (W) - Robertson, L. - Hally, (R) - NMJC: Josh Garza, Jacob Collins, Carter Foster, Avery Tuck, Ryan Ripa, Steven Puentes, MC: Ethan Barker, Cameron Mathews (R) - MC: Ethan Barker, Steven Puentes (R) - NMJC: Daniel Hernandez, Jake Dickenson, Avery Tuck, Ryan Ripa & MC: Blake Perdue 2.
New Mexico JC 22-10 MC 21-11
Midland College 21-11
New Mexico JC College of El Paso CC 20-11
Jan. CT, Friday

NBA ROUNDUP

Associated Press



John Rezac/Associated Press

Delon Wright's Doug McDermott (20) dunks in front of Orlando Magic's Mario Hezron during the first half of an NBA game Wednesday in Orlando, Fla.

MAGIC 105, MAVERICKS 100
ORLANDO, Fla. - Rookie Jamal Artis had 18 points for his second straight career high for Orlando.

Artis was coming off a 16-point game Tuesday night in a victory at New York. Aaron Gordon led the Magic with 20 points without playing in the fourth quarter.

Jalen Jones led Dallas with 15 points. The Mavericks listed seven players out with injuries including Dirk Nowitzki, the 19-year veteran who missed only his second game of the season.

RAPTORS 96, CELTICS 78
Dakota Fozzy scored 16 points, Fred VanVleet and Serge Ibaka each had 15 and the Toronto Raptors moved closer to clinching the top seed in the Eastern Conference by beating the Boston Celtics 96-78 on Wednesday night.

Toronto increased its lead over second-place Boston to three games. Both teams have four games left.

Kyle Lowry scored 13 points for the Raptors, who earned a split in the season series with the Celtics and clinched the Southeast over Boston, based on each team's record in conference play. Toronto is 37-11 against the East, while Boston is 31-17.

With its 50th win of the season, Toronto matched the franchise record set in 2015-16. Marcus Morris scored 21

points for Boston in its lowest-scoring game of the season. The Celtics shot 3 for 22 from 3-point range.

TEARS 115, PISTONS 106
DETROIT - JJ Redick scored 25 points, and Philadelphia won its 12th straight game, eliminating Detroit from playoff contention.

The Pistons had their five-game winning streak snapped, and their defeat clinched a postseason spot for the Milwaukee Bucks.

Anthony Tolliver scored 25 points for the Pistons and went 7 of 8 from 3-point range. Detroit was without star forward Blake Griffin (bruised right ankle) and the 70ers were missing center Joel Embiid

(concussion, orbital fracture).

HEAT 115, HORNETS 96
ATLANTA - Kelly Olynyk scored 19 points, including 15 on five 3-pointers, as Miami took the lead for good in the second period, and the Heat beat Atlanta, capping a sweep of back-to-back games between Southeast Division rivals.

Miami reeled Dwyane Wade, Goran Dragic and James Johnson one day after clinching a playoff berth by beating the Hawks in Miami. Josh Richardson also had 19 points, and Justise Winslow had 18 for Miami.

Taurean Prince led Atlanta with 20 points.

PELICANS 123, GRIZZLIES 94
NEW ORLEANS - E'Twan Moore scored 30 points, and Anthony Davis had 28 points and 12 rebounds in a return to form to help New Orleans rout Memphis.

Davis struggled in the previous two games after twisting an ankle in a loss to Portland on March 27. He made 8 of 13 field goals, 11 of 13 free throws and had three blocks and two steals.

The eighth-place Pelicans ended a season-worst four-game losing streak and increased their lead over the Denver to a full game for the 5-ml playoff spot in the Western Conference.

MarShon Brooks scored 25 points for the Grizzlies.

MIDLAND HUMANE COALITION
400 8:00 Volunteer Orientation at Adoption Center within PetSmart
422 2:00-4:00 Chip Clinic & Adoptions at Rockhound's Bark in the Park
503 8:30-8:30 Microchip Clinic at Beer Garden's Yappy Hour
6:18 Sat. am 4th Annual Hot Dog Run 5K and 1 Mile
TRAP NEUTER RETURN PROGRAM
Sign up to borrow trap(s), pick up trap, trap stray cats & have them vaccinated, eartipped & altered before returning them. Save \$100 off TNR (\$70 Voucher + \$30 grant) at participating vets. Learn more & sign up at: midlandhumane.org/tnr 432.658.8255
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MLB ROUNDUP

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American League

ASTROS 3, ORIOLES 2
HOUSTON — Josh Reddick had three hits, and Alex Bregman's tiebreaking RBI single in the seventh inning lifted Houston past Baltimore for a three-game sweep.

ANGELS 3, INDIANS 2
ANAHEIM, Calif. — Shohei Ohtani hit his second homer in two games at Angel Stadium in the fifth inning, and Zack Cozart had walk-off homer in the 13th inning of the Los Angeles Angels' 3-2 victory over the Cleveland Indians on Wednesday.

YANKEES 7, RAYS 2
NEW YORK — Giancarlo Stanton turned bases to cheers with his first Yankee Stadium home run in pinstripes, an emphatic go-ahead drive in the first inning to help New York complete a two-game sweep.

RED SOX 5, BLUE JAYS 3
TORONTO — Matt Davidson hit his fourth home run of the season, Jose Abreu added a tiebreaking solo shot in the eighth inning and Chicago snapped Toronto's four-game winning streak.

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SAN FRANCISCO — Pablo Sandoval smashed a three-run homer into McCovey Cove while making a rare start, Johnny Cueto earned his first win of the season and San Francisco jumped all over Seattle as Felix Hernandez.

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National League

DIAMONDBACKS 3, DODGERS 0
PHOENIX — Patrick Corbin shut out Los Angeles on one hit over 7 1/3 innings, striking out a career-high 12 for Arizona.

METS 4, PHILLIES 2
NEW YORK — Yoenis Cespedes homered, Amed Rosario hit a two-run triple and New York's bullpen faced the minimum batters over five scoreless innings.

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Scherzer (1-1) gave up six hits, two walks and five runs — two earned — in five innings. The three-time Cy Young Award winner struck out seven.

CARDINALS 6, BREWERS 0
MILWAUKEE — Carlos Martinez pitched into the ninth inning and struck out 10, Yadier Molina homered and St. Louis beat error-prone Milwaukee.

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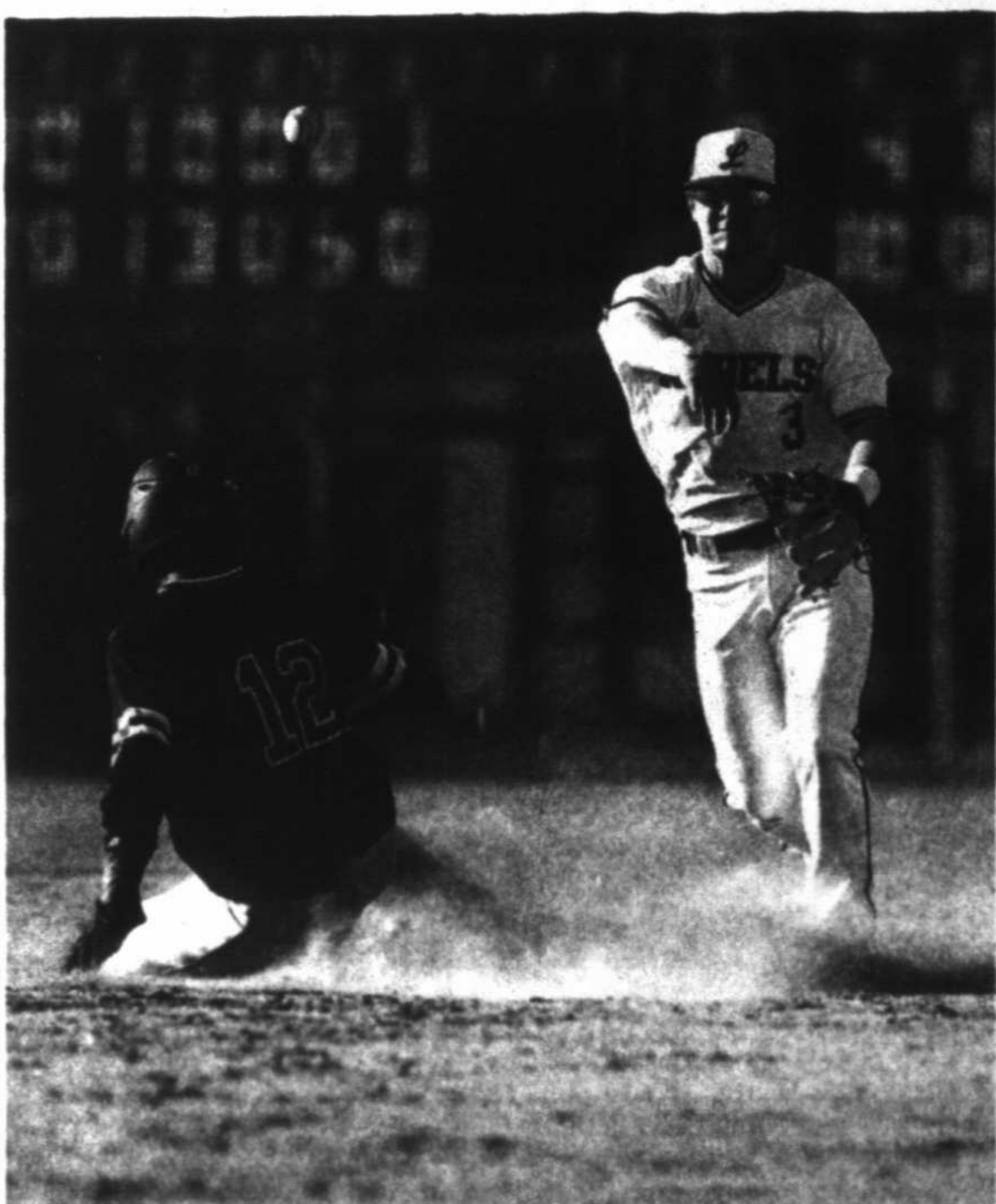
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Lee's Ty Coleman (3) works a double play against Odessa Permian on Wednesday at Emie Johnson Field.

BASEBALL

From 1C

"I was just trying to attack the zone and I had good command of all three of my pitches," Harrison said. "That was a first this year. Usually I'm more of a two-pitch pitcher, but (Wednesday) I found all three and it worked out well for me. It's definitely a relief to get a good start in front of the home fans."

Alvarez, who leads the Rebels with 25 RBIs this season, continues to impress his coach at the plate. "Junior, he's the same — he just keeps getting better," Roper said. "He's learning more about the game, how people are going to pitch him and what have you. It was nice to see him step up (Wednesday)."

Table with 5 columns: Team, W, L, W%, L%, ERA. Lists statistics for Odessa Permian, Midland High, and Odessa High.

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LEE'S TY COLEMAN 3
Pitching: 200 IP, 1-3, 4.10
Batting: 200 AB, 2-10, .100

SOFTBALL

From 1C

MHS (17-10-2, 2-4) scored two runs in the sixth inning when Yaelin Vidana plated Alexis Riddle with a sacrifice fly and Savannah Shiller added an RBI double. The Lady Bulldogs provided another run in the seventh stanza when Riddle drove home Rani Guerra with a single, but by then, it was too little, too late as OHS held a five-run lead and needed only one more out.

In the top of the fourth, MHS senior Alii Monarrez was matching Camacho in a pitcher's duel when Odessa High's Noeli Suarez hit a frozen rope triple to right-center with one out.

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ODESSA HIGH 4, MIDLAND HIGH 4
Pitching: 200 IP, 0-4, 0.00
Batting: 200 AB, 4-11, .364

HS BASEBALL/SOFTBALL ROUNDUP

Baseball

ODESSA HIGH 4, MIDLAND HIGH 4
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# Hart to tell: Crowded NHL MVP race has a dozen candidates

By Stephen Whyno  
Associated Press

Taylor Hall had just scored two more goals in another big New Jersey Devils victory when his general manager asked him a simple question.

"I said, 'Taylor, what'd you get tonight?'" Ray Shero recalled. "He goes, 'We got two points is what we got.' He had a smile on his face. And I knew he was not going to say two goals. I knew it. We got two points."

That's what Shero wanted to hear from the player most responsible for New Jersey's turnaround from lottery afterthought to playoff contender. Hall is without a doubt the Devils' most valuable player but he is one of about a dozen candidates for the overall NHL honor. The race for the Hart Trophy is one of the most crowded, convoluted and subjective in decades.

An MVP case can be made for Hall, Colorado's Nathan MacKinnon, Los Angeles' Anze Kopitar, Washington's Alex Ovechkin, Philadelphia's Claude Giroux, Tampa Bay's Steven Stamkos and Nikita Kucherov, Pittsburgh's Evgeni Malkin, Boston's Brad Marchand, Winnipeg's Blake Wheeler, Nashville's Pekka Rinne and Edmonton's Connor McDavid. The award is given to "the player adjudged to be the most valuable to his team."

Reigning Hart winner McDavid leads the league in points and should take home the player-voted Ted Lindsay Award as most outstanding player, but the Oilers have long been out of playoff race, hurting his candidacy to some extent and showing how valuable the other contenders are.

Shero said matter-of-factly the Devils "wouldn't be in the race" without Hall. The same can be said for the Avalanche without MacKinnon, the Capitals without Ovechkin and the Flyers without Giroux.

"Offensively, he's such a big part of how we generate goals," Ovechkin teammate T.J. Oshie said. "Whether he's scoring them or not, when he's on the ice, he's a concern for the other team."

Where we'd be at? I don't know. I'm not sure."

Washington won the Metropolitan Division for the third consecutive year thanks in large part to Ovechkin after losing Marcus Johansson, Justin Williams, Daniel Winnik, Nate Schmidt, Karl Alzner and Kevin Shattenkirk from a group that captured the Presidents' Trophy last season. Ovechkin averages 20 minutes a night, has scored 18.7 percent of the Capitals' goals and leads the league with 46 while not missing a single game.

Kopitar is another ironman who leads all NHL forwards in ice time, is fifth with 91 points and has the Kings on their way back to the playoffs. GM Rob Blake said Kopitar means "pretty much everything" to Los Angeles, particularly because the two-way star has done it all most of the season without No. 2 center Jeff Carter.

"When I look at that MVP race and importance to a team, I think Kope's head and shoulders above everybody: to do what he's had to do without the advantage of having Carter come back on the ice after," Blake said.

"He had to go with Nick Shore and Adrian Kempe on the ice every shift after. He leads forwards in minutes. His defensive stats and some of the advanced stats show the commitment that he's had, and it's from day one."

Two-way play extends to Giroux, who has put Philadelphia on his back at times. Giroux has a career-high 97 points — trailing only McDavid and Kucherov — has won 58.6 percent of faceoffs and run the power play and played the penalty kill for a team that has needed to get wins from four different goaltenders.

"When you talk about that type of an award there's a lot more to it and G does a heck of a lot more for this hockey team than just score points," coach Dave Hakstol said. "And believe me it's hard to score points in this league, so I'm not downplaying that. I'm telling you how important a lot of the other things he provides are to our hockey team."



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

RockHounds manager Scott Steinmann talks to players during practice Wednesday at Security Bank Ballpark.

## ROCKHOUNDS NOTEBOOK

### OLD AND NEW FACES ON ROSTER

This year's RockHounds roster has a mixture of old and new faces as 12 players of the 25-man roster have spent time in Midland.

The roster also three players that are listed among the top 30 prospects in the Oakland A's organization according to MLB Pipeline. Catcher Sean Murphy is No. 8, outfielder Tyler Ramirez is No. 18 and right-handed pitcher Nolan Blackwood is No. 29.

### NO PRESSURE TO WIN NO. 5

It's not a secret that the RockHounds are coming off their fourth straight Texas League title. While the team wants to continue that strong tradition of success, first-year manager Scott Steinmann said the first priority is player development.

"Whatever favors they have, try to minimize those as best as we can, and then when winning happens, it happens," he said. "Hopefully these guys are mature enough to handle the situation and perform under those pressure spots."

### SEDDON TO START OPENING DAY

Veteran right-hander Joel Seddon is expected to get the start in tonight's game against Springfield.

Seddon has been a part of two Texas League championships with the RockHounds and last year was 3-4 with a 5.00 ERA in the regular season in Midland. In the postseason, he was 2-0 with a 3.52 ERA.

### MANAGER LIKES RULE CHANGES

In an effort to speed up the game, Minor League Baseball implemented rule changes that included cutting down on mound visits and putting a runner on second base in extra-inning games. Steinmann said he likes the changes.

"I'm all for the game to be sped up," he said. "I think the game has slowed down a bit with all the pitching changes and the complexity of the game with the way it is now. It's not as simple as it was before with the bullpen usage. So I'm all for getting this game started, kind of getting it rolling, keeping the fans energized and into the game. I think that's very important for our national pastime."

He said having a runner start on second base in extra inning should hopefully cut down on marathon games and stop putting a strain on the pitching staffs that could be affected four or five days if teams play 15, 16-inning games.

—Compiled by Oscar LeRoy



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

RockHounds during practice Wednesday at Security Bank Ballpark.

2018 ROCKHOUNDS ROSTER (subject to change)									
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11	Joel Seddon	R-R	6-1	180	24	RHP			
12	Steve Flair	R-R	6-4	190	24	RHP			
13	Chris Burt	L-L	6-2	180	25	RHP			
14	Trey Cochran-Gil	R-R	5-10	200	25	INF			
15	Steve Probst	R-R	6-1	175	25	INF			
16	Sam Rieck	R-R	6-4	210	25	INF			
17	Sam Rieck	R-R	6-4	190	27	INF			
18	Chris Burt	R-R	6-2	210	27	INF			
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## TRACK

From 1C

Galindo is in the mix to contend for a 3,200 title.

Maldonado is also expecting a boost from the return of sophomore Mackenzie Gibson, who helps on all three relays, after missing a big chunk of the season due to an injury.

The top four performers in all meet events advance to the Districts 1-6A/2-6A Area Meet, April 20 at El Paso Franklin.

On the boys' side, Tascosa holds seven of the district's season-best times or marks, and has seven of the second-best times or marks according to information posted on athletic.net.

"They're the defending district champs," Lee boys coach Floyd White said of Tascosa. "Until somebody can unseat them, they're always the team to beat. They're pretty solid across the board. San Angelo (Central), Frenship, they're all pretty solid outfits. It's just a matter of can we get out there and keep competing with them."

Early in the season, the Lee boys showed promise as a team, winning their host Tall City Invitational on March 2. Since then, Lee has suffered some key injuries, including top sprinter Isaiah Harvey, which has affected their relays performance. But Lee has done well in the field events, as Rory Maguire is the district's top pole vaulter, Nacho Rubio and Matt Stannell are top contenders in the discus, and junior Ian Ordorica has been a fast riser in the shot put, setting a PR with a 48-7 in Lubbock.

The Midland High boys won district in 2016 and were the runners up in 2017, but many of the athletes that contributed to those successes have since graduated.

MHS is led by sophomore Jacob McCracken, who has three wins in the 110 hurdles this year, and senior Sam Palmer, who is expected to contend for 2-6A championships in both the triple jump and long jump.

"We talked about this to our guys all week, we're a young team, our goal is going into district is to get better," MHS boys coach Adam Alba said. "We're going to use this as an experience to grow. Let these seniors go out on the good note."

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DISTRICT 4-6A TRACK AND FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS	
Venue: Tascosa and Thursday, May 3	
1:50 p.m. — girls 100 hurdles	6:15 p.m. — boys 150 hurdles
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THE 82ND MASTERS APRIL 5-8

TIGER BACK IN THE HUNT AT AUGUSTA

BY DOUG FERGUSON | AP GOLF WRITER

This Masters is as much about a red shirt as a green jacket. Tiger Woods is back, and he even looks like the Tiger Woods who dominated golf for the better part of 15 years. Never mind that he is not among the top 100 players in the world ranking, that it has been 13 years since he won the Masters in that Sunday red shirt, or that it has been five years since he last won any tournament. The buzz following Woods since his return from a fourth back surgery has been bigger than when he was No. 1 in the world, racking up 14 majors and 79 victories on the PGA Tour. And as much as golf has missed the energy he creates, Woods has missed golf, especially the first full week in April.

and he has shown in five PGA Tour starts since January that he is capable. Woods is as powerful as ever, with a swing speed that has reached 129 mph. He finished one shot behind at the Valspar Championship. The following week at Bay Hill, he was one shot out of the lead with three holes remaining when he hit a tee shot out-of-bounds and Rory McIlroy raced away with the victory by making five birdies over the last six holes. There was reason for golf fans to wonder if he would ever return. The haunting image 10 months ago was his mug shot from his arrest in Florida on a DUI charge, the result of Woods taking a bad combination of prescription medicine. Just over six months ago, while recovering from fusion surgery on his lower back, Woods said he could envision a scenario where he never competed again. And now Las Vegas has him among the co-favorites with McIlroy, Dustin Johnson and Justin Thomas. Golf managed to move along without Woods, who had to sit out the Masters three of the last four years with his back problems. Johnson, McIlroy, Jordan Spieth and Jason Day have taken turns at No. 1 in the world, all of them major champions. Thomas and Jon Rahm are within range of getting to No. 1. All but Spieth have won this year, and Spieth showed at the British Open last summer that he can flip the switch with the stroke of his putter.



MASTERS FACTS AND FIGURES

Site: Augusta National Golf Club. Length: 7,435 yards. Par: 36-72. Purses: To be determined (\$11 million in 2017). Field: 86 players (80 professional, 6 amateurs). Cut: Top 50 and ties, and anyone within 10 shots of the lead. Defending champion: Sergio Garcia. Last year: Sergio Garcia won his first major in his 70th attempt as a pro, rallying from a two-shot deficit with six holes to play to beat Justin Rose on the first hole of a sudden-death playoff. The turning point came at the par-5 13th when Garcia had to take a penalty drop from the bushes left of the tee. He saved par, went birdie-eagle to tie Rose and won with a 12-foot birdie putt on the 18th hole in sudden death after Rose made bogey. The odds: The Westgate Las Vegas Superbook had odds at 50-1 for Woods winning the Masters before he returned to competition in the Bahamas the first week in December. Six tournaments later, he is a co-favorite. Grand Slam: Rory McIlroy will try for the fourth time to win the Masters and become the sixth player to complete the Grand Slam. New chairman: Fred Ridley takes over as chairman of Augusta National, succeeding the retired Billy Payne. Key statistic: This is the only major where Tiger Woods has never missed the cut as a pro. Noteworthy: It has been 20 years since a player in his 40s won the Masters. Television: Thursday-Friday, 3-7:30 p.m. (ESPN); Saturday, 3-7 p.m. (CBS Sports); Sunday, 2-7 p.m. (CBS Sports). Interactive: www.masters.com. Live video channels from Amen Corner, the 15th hole, 16th hole and a featured group.

2018 MASTERS PLAYER CAPSULES

A capsule look at top contenders for the Masters, which starts April 5 at Augusta National Golf Club.

DUSTIN JOHNSON Age: 33 Country: United States World ranking: 1 Worldwide wins: 17 Majors: US Open (2016) Masters moment: Slipping down the stairs and wrenching his back on the eve of the Masters, leading him to withdraw as the No. 1 player and heavy favorite in 2017. Backlog: He doesn't have nearly the momentum he had last year when he was coming off three straight victories. But he hasn't been afraid, either, except for his 0-3 mark at Match Play. He won Kapalua and was runner-up at Pebble Beach. He figured out how to play the course two years ago when he contended for the first time.

BUBBA WATSON Age: 39 Country: United States World ranking: 21 Worldwide wins: 12 Majors: Masters (2012, 2014) Masters moment: Hooking a gap wedge out of the trees on No. 10 to set up a par in sudden-death playoff for his first Masters victory in 2012. Backlog: Watson is healthy and happy, and the latter might be more important. He has never won twice going into the Masters, and he looked impressive in victories at Riviera and the Match Play. A good putting week is especially important for him.

RORY MCILROY Age: 28 Country: Northern Ireland World ranking: 7 Worldwide wins: 22 Majors: US Open (2011), British Open (2014), PGA Championship (2012, 2014) Masters moment: Losing a four-shot lead in the final round of 2011 and shooting 66. Backlog: This will be his fourth crack at trying to complete the career Grand Slam. He hasn't seriously contended at the Masters since he had a 4-shot lead after 54 holes in 2011. He won the Arnold Palmer Invitational three weeks before the Masters, which has given him a shot of confidence.

TIGER WOODS Age: 42 Country: United States World ranking: 104 Worldwide wins: 90 Majors: Masters (1997, 2001, 2002, 2005), US Open (2000, 2002, 2008), British Open (2000, 2005, 2006), PGA Championship (1999, 2000, 2006, 2007) Masters moment: Setting or tying 20 records in his first Masters victory by 12 shots in 1997. Backlog: Woods has missed the Masters three of the last four years because of back surgeries. The Masters is the only major in which he has never missed the cut, which is not on anyone's mind the way he has played this spring.

Masters hype unlike any other, mainly because of Tiger Woods

By Doug Ferguson Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Blame it on a generation that thinks nothing was ever as great as what just happened. Maybe it was a tough winter, and nothing melts frigid memories like the sight of azaleas, dogwoods and Rae's Creek. It sure didn't hurt that all the best players, as young as 23-year-old Jon Rahm and ancient as 47-year-old Phil Mickelson, are winning tournaments and hitting their stride.

The competition is so steep that four players have a chance to be No. 1 in the world. "This is my 42nd Masters," club chairman Fred Ridley said Wednesday. "I have never been a part of this week where there's been any more excitement."

But the real reason for all the talk that this Masters might be the best ever still comes down to one guy: Tiger Woods.

In San Diego and Los Angeles, in Tampa and Orlando, fans flocked by the thousands when Woods returned to competition after a fourth back surgery and suddenly looked very much like a 14-time major champion capable of resuming his pursuit of the 18 majors won by Jack Nicklaus.

He was back to producing Sunday-sounding roars at the Masters by making eagles on the back nine. And those were just practice rounds.

Woods had one word for all this buzz: whoa. "I have four rounds to play," he said. "So let's just kind of slow down."

No one knows hype like Woods, especially at Augusta National. A generation ago, he had a chance to become the first player to hold all four professional majors, and he heard all about it for more than seven months leading into the Masters. He beat two of his biggest rivals of 2001, Mickelson and David Duval.

"It's the same thing," Woods said. "I've got to go play and then let the chips fall where they may. And hopefully, I end up on top. But I've got a lot of work to do between then and now."



Yuta Ikeda, of Japan, hits from a bunker on the second hole during a practice round for the Masters golf tournament Wednesday in Augusta, Ga.

Masters Tee Times table listing player names, tee times, and hole numbers for the tournament.

Woods, who spent two days at Augusta National last week, has played nine-hole practice rounds for three days leading to the first round Thursday. Fred Couples has been at his side for all of them, and he didn't see much different from 10 years ago. "It was pretty awesome," Couples said.

Never mind that it has been 13 years since Woods last won the Masters. Just imagine.

This is the first major Woods has played since 2015. He doesn't know of anyone who has competed at the highest level since fusion surgery on the lumbar area of the back, much less anyone who could generate 129 mph of club speed with the driver. Just 10 months, the most famous photo of him came from a Florida jail after his arrest on a DUI charge stemming from the wrong combination of prescription drugs. It was one of the lower moments in his life. And now, Masters champion? Really?

That's four long days away, assuming he makes it that far — Woods has missed the cut in every major but the Masters — and there are plenty of obstacles along the way. Woods has been gone for so long that he says it's been nearly three years since he putted on bent grass like that at Augusta National.

The bigger issue might be a dozen or more other contenders, all of whom earned their share of the hype. That list includes Woods' new practice-round partner — Mickelson — who is coming off another World Golf Championship title; Mickelson won the Mexico Championship to end the longest drought of his career.

The No. 1 player in the world has not won the Masters since 2002 — it was Woods, of course — a streak that Dustin Johnson would love to end. Johnson didn't get the chance last year after he slipped down the stairs and wrenching his back on the eve of the Masters. Johnson began the year with an eight-shot victory at Kapalua. Rahm won two weeks later to move closer to No. 1 in the world. Jason Day won the week after that.

Bubba Watson, a two-time Masters champion, won at Riviera. Justin Thomas won the Honda Classic with two clutch shots — a wedge and a 5-wood. One of the two tournaments where Woods contended on the back nine was the Arnold Palmer Invitational. Rory McIlroy won with five birdies on his last six holes. A victory this week would put him in company with Woods by completing the career Grand Slam.

McIlroy knows what it's like to have so much attention. His first crack at the career slam was in 2015. He was 12 shots behind after two rounds. "I felt like there was a lot of hype coming off the two majors the summer before and world No. 1 and going for the slam the first time. I felt that anticipation and that hype, and I really built it up in my head a little bit too much," he said.

Johnson's goal is to get to 1st tee

By Doug Ferguson Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — The recovery from the back injury took a lot longer than he imagined, longer than the sting of having to miss the Masters.

Dustin Johnson, with a history of misfortune in the majors, has a remarkable knack of moving forward. If only everyone would quit reminding him.

"I get asked about it every day out here on the range or walking down the fairway," Johnson said. "So I'm reminded all the time."

The back injury getting most of the attention at this year's Masters belongs to Tiger Woods, and for good reason. It was far more severe, requiring four surgeries over four years, the last one fusion in the lumbar area. More than keeping Woods from playing Augusta National three of the last four years, he hardly played at all.

Johnson's injury was a freak accident at the worst time.

He had won his last three tournaments against three of the strongest fields of the year, which not only elevated him to No. 1 in the world, it made him the biggest favorite at the Masters since Woods was at his peak.

Then 24 hours before he was to tee off, calamity struck.

Johnson was still wearing socks after returning home from the gym. It was raining. His son was headed back from day care, so he ran downstairs in his rental home to move the car. The stairs were wooden, a bad combination with socks. Johnson slipped and crashed down the stairs, wrenching his back. His brother, Austin, was the first to reach him and still recalls the wild eyes of his older brother looking up at him.

Johnson tried to loosen up on the range. He went to the putting green. And then he had no choice but to withdraw.

"It was just a freak thing, and it happened. There's nothing I can do about it except I'm here this year," Johnson said Tuesday. "Hopefully, I can tee it up

on Thursday. Definitely be looking forward to that." One year later, so much has changed. Johnson remains No. 1 in the world for the 59th consecutive week — only Woods (three times), Greg Norman (twice) and Nick Faldo have held the No. 1 ranking longer.

But he hasn't won since the first tournament of the year, an eight-shot victory at Kapalua. He came close at Pebble Beach until Ted Potter Jr. beat him in the final round. He was not particularly close in his last start, losing all three matches in his group at the Dell Technologies Match Play.

He's not worried about that, either, because Johnson doesn't worry about much. "Last year I was about as confident as I've ever been, so it was probably a 10," he said when asked to compare his confidence level on a scale of 1 to 10. "This year it's probably a 9 1/2. Starting to swing it a lot better. Feeling a lot better on the golf course, for sure."

Just don't get the idea there is any additional motivation. Johnson doesn't look back. "Why?" he asked. "There's nothing you can do about it. Hopefully, I can get myself in a position where I have a chance to win. Last year has nothing to do with anything happening right now."

What's happening at this Masters is a wide-open race for the green jacket. Rarely have so many top players been on top of their games coming into the first major of the year, including past champions Phil Mickelson, Bubba Watson and Jordan Spieth. Not to be overlooked is Woods, who hasn't won this year but has shown he is plenty capable. "I think that this year it feels like you probably have eight or 10 guys that are in good form, with a really good, solid chance of winning," defending champion Sergio Garcia said. "So it's kind of interesting to see how the week goes on, because every week is a different story. But at the moment, it's quite exciting."

Along with a green jacket, the No. 1 ranking is up for grabs.

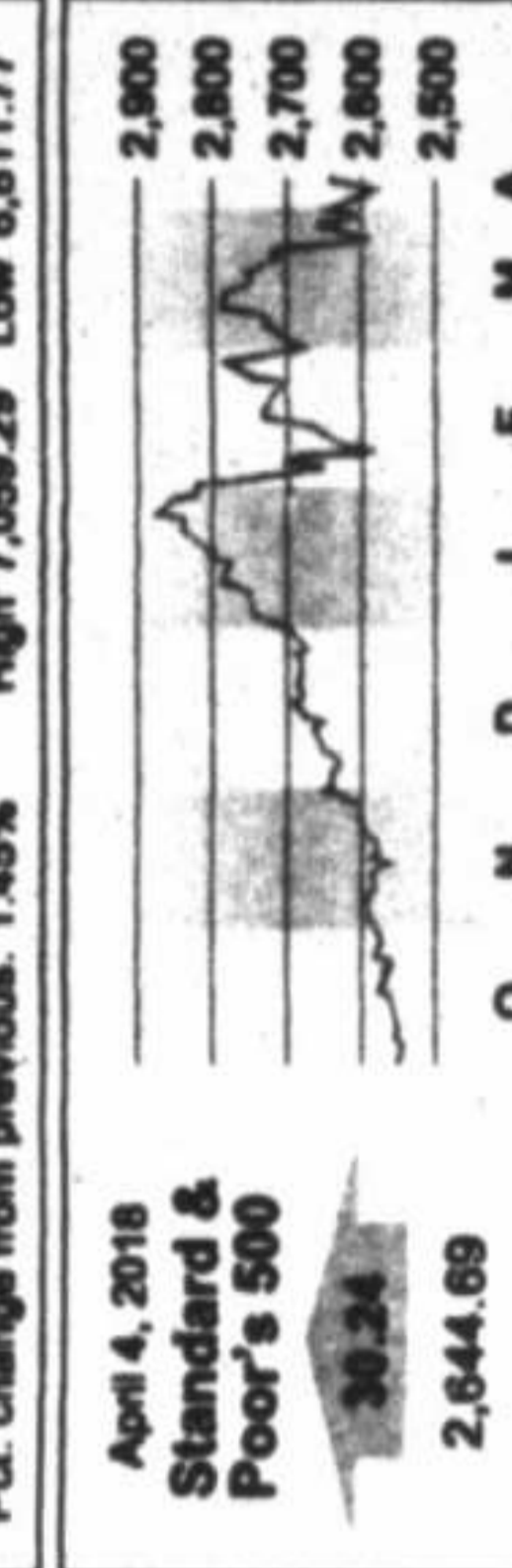
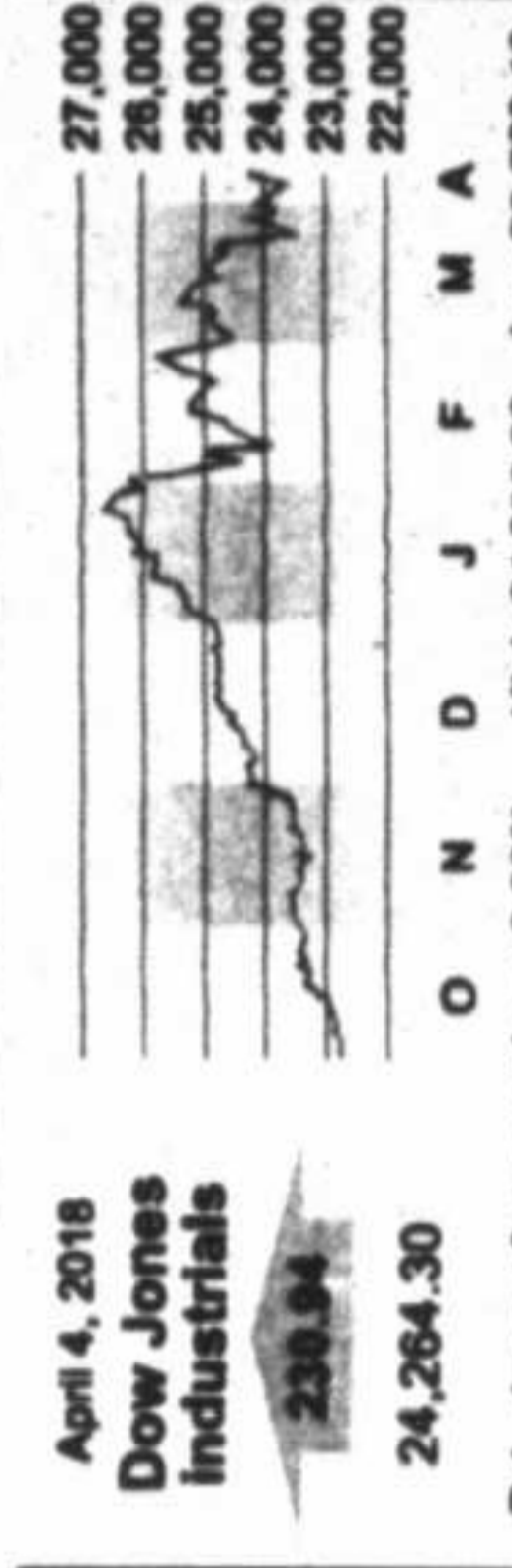
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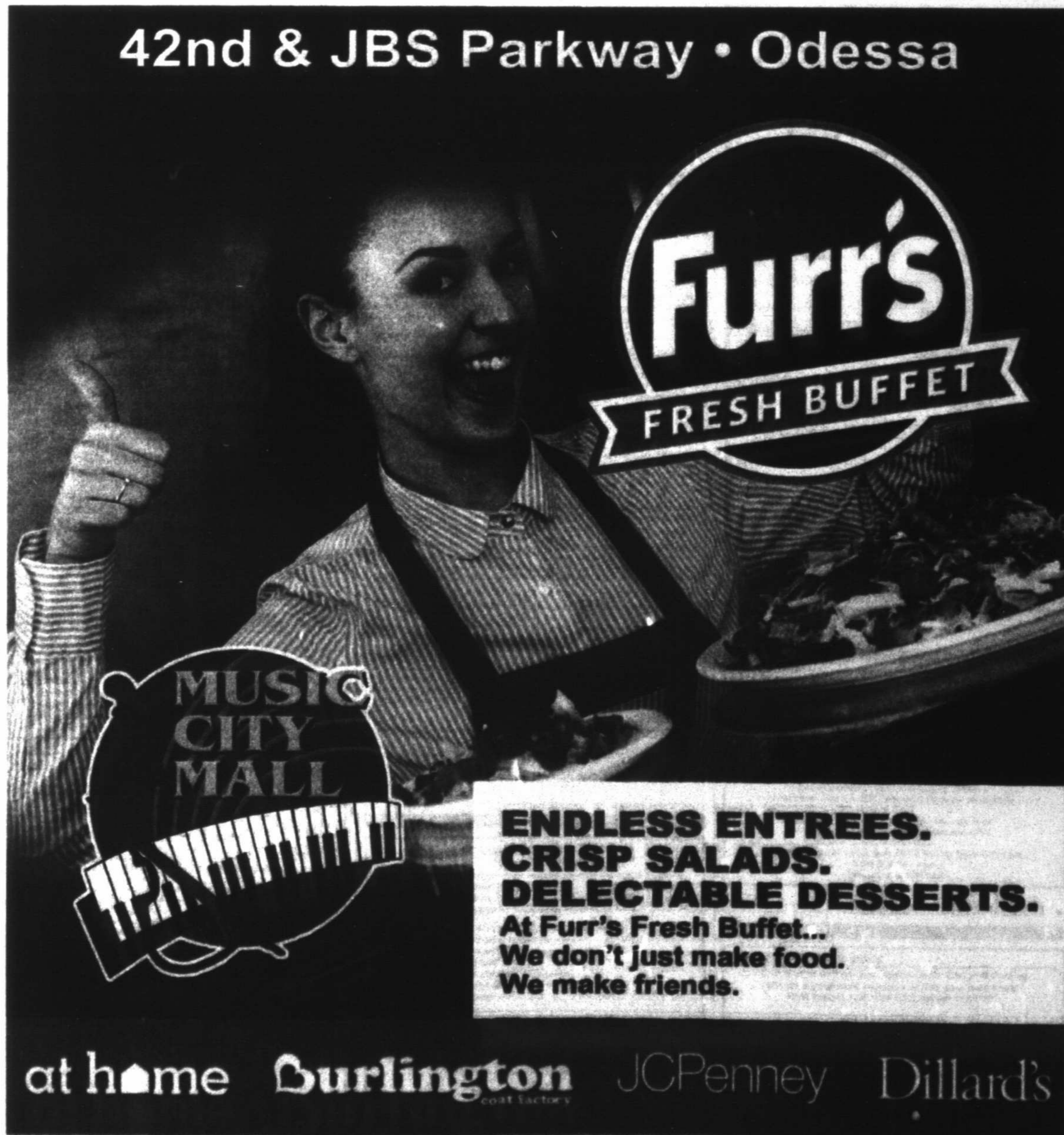
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Performs field and office work related to planning and development programs for utilization of land and physical facilities of the city.

**Job Duties:**

- Prepares special studies and reports related to code amendments and annexation studies. Assists with comprehensive plan and updates as necessary.
- Prepares statistical reports such as annual population estimates.
- Reviews requests and prepares written reports for zone change and proposed subdivision plat applications and special studies.
- Presents information and recommendations to the Planning and Zoning Commission.
- Reviews miscellaneous applications including temporary land uses, special events, public rights of way, etc.
- Responds to public inquiries concerning development of the city in general as well as specific areas.
- Researches, compiles and analyzes land use and related data.
- Works with the public and developers in answering questions and providing information.
- Performs related duties as required.

**Qualifications:**  
 Ability to effectively communicate with developers and citizens in order to provide information and guidance on planning and zoning issues. Ability to work in conjunction with employees from different departments.

**Knowledge of current planning processes and procedures. Ability to read and understand technical materials, reports and journals. Skill in developing related reports and ability to analyze and present data on land use applications and planning. Ability to effectively communicate, both orally and in writing, to citizens and other government officials.**

**Bachelor's degree or equivalent in architecture, planning, engineering or economics plus one to three years of experience. Valid Texas Driver's License**

**Benefits:**

- Health care Plans
- Paid Vacation/Sick Leave
- Paid Holidays
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 Service Technician wanted. Servicing Safety Related equipment. Mechanical aptitude required with attention to detail. Requires licensing through TX State Fire Marshal for Portable Fire Extinguisher within 60 days of hire date. Paid Holidays, Accrued Paid Time Off, Medical Insurance, and 401K. Resumes may be submitted by email [dawn.o@blsafety.com](mailto:dawn.o@blsafety.com). Apply at 1000 S Goods St Midland.

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 La Bodega of Midland now hiring Dishwashers & Servers. Must be willing to work weekends. Please apply in person Monday - Friday between 1pm- 5pm at 2700 N. Big Spring Street, Midland, TX.

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 Looking for someone who is self-motivated, able to operate forklift, and able to lift heavy material loading customers and unloading. Monday through Friday 8 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Apply at 1703 South Mitchell, Midland, Texas.

OTHER JOBS

**MIDLAND NOW HIRING**  
**Public Safety Dispatcher**

Directs calls for service for emergency purposes and directs non-emergency inquiries.

**Job Duties:**

- Answers the phone and assists citizens with requests for emergency and non-emergency services for police, fire, sheriff and emergency medical services.
- Directs citizen inquiries and non-emergency calls to the appropriate agency or organization.
- Dispatches law enforcement and fire and rescue personnel and notifies support and crisis personnel as needed through the use of multi-channel radio system and computer aided dispatch system.
- Requests and disseminates vehicle registration, driver's license, criminal history information through the use of the Texas National Computer System (TNCS, NCIC).
- Obtains computer information and disseminates to law enforcement officials and investigators. Enters related information into the system.
- Searches and retrieves telephone information to and from related agencies.
- Maintains records of work performed.
- Performs related duties as assigned.

**Qualifications:**  
 Ability to work with dispatch equipment and communicate with citizens and emergency personnel in highly stressful, possibly emergency situations. Employee communicates with other employees in the work group, citizens and other law enforcement agencies in order to discuss requests for service and possible critical activities. Will also exchange information or request assistance from other agencies and make referrals when necessary.

**Ability to read and understand technical and professional manuals in order to record work activities, keep records or work with computers. Skill in the operation and maintenance of a number of office machines and equipment such as specialized computers and related information systems and two-way radio dispatch equipment. Typing speed of 35 WPM.**

**Will also be required to take and pass ALL tests.**

- Keyboarding
- Data Entry MT
- Data Entry MT (Audio)
- Call Summarization
- Memory Recall-Numeric (Audio)
- Map Reading
- Spelling
- Sentence Clarity
- Reading Comprehension

**Employees work rotating shifts and gather, organize, translate and process information from various emergency calls.**

**DAYS & HOURS:**  
 Rotating Shifts; Rotating Days Off - Valid Texas Driver License.

**Benefits:**

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**MIDLAND NOW HIRING**  
**Recycle Supervisor**

Supervises and monitors Citizens Collection Station and recycle drivers in day to day operations and projects. Works as a service attendant at the Citizens Collection Station as needed. Acts as a Solid Waste Supervisor as needed.

**BUDGETARY RESPONSIBILITIES:**  
 Provides input as to needed equipment and employment positions. Monitors supplies and equipment at the Citizens Collection Station.

**Job Duties:**

- Schedules and monitors the work of subordinate employees.
- Instructs employees in the use, care, and preventive maintenance of equipment and machinery.
- Reads schematics, manuals, and other specifications in order to determine and make necessary repairs and maintenance.
- Maintains equipment in good working order and keeps records of work performed.
- Ensures the cleanliness and maintenance of facilities, equipment, tools and grounds.
- Acts as the customer service representative of the Recycle Division at the Citizens Collection Station and on recycle issues.
- Keeps records and reports readily available.
- Coordinates efforts with Solid Waste operations.
- Serves as service attendant when necessary.
- Serves as a Solid Waste Supervisor when necessary.
- Performs other related duties as assigned.

**Qualifications:**  
 Ability to effectively communicate with employees and to receive work orders or instructions for any project. Interacts frequently with the public, vendors, and government agency representatives.

**Ability to read, interpret, and understand local, state, and federal regulations related to disposal of refuse. Knowledge of processes used in the disposal of solid waste. Skill in the use of various equipment and machinery such as hand and electrical power tools and heavy equipment utilized in disposal activities. Ability to train others in safe operation of equipment. Ability to work with cash and adhere to cash-handling policies. Ability to properly evaluate activities and make recommendations for improvement. Good public relation skills as well as verbal and written communication skills.**

**High school diploma or general education degree required and some college preferred. One to three years of experience in Solid Waste and/or supervising and evaluating the work of others preferred. Must possess a valid Texas Driver's License and possess or acquire a valid Texas Class 'B' Municipal Solid Waste Operator License within two years of hire date.**

**Benefits:**

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**Retail Professional**  
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*Julian Gold*

**Digital Media Account Executive**  
 "We must be alarmingly enterprising and startlingly original. We must be honest and fearless. And we must spark a revolution."  
 William Randolph Hearst, 1887

The Midland Reporter-Telegram, part of Hearst Communications, is excited to announce that due to our continued growth in the Midland, TX market, we are seeking a Digital Media Account Executive just like you to join our team! Our industry is changing into a digital world, and we are looking for experienced professionals who are eager to facilitate our innovative efforts.

Join Midland's leading media company and become part of the winning sales team that offers advertisers a robust suite of digital and print products to help them achieve their business objectives. We are seeking digital savvy, highly motivated sales professionals to sell our marketing solutions to local businesses. Our ideal candidate will be goal oriented, is a relentless hunter, driving to win new business, and has a track record of exceeding monthly goals.

As a Digital Media Account Executive, you can expect the following:

- Drive digital product sales.
- Be the Digital Media Guru with a solid understanding of Digital Media, Marketing and Advertising.
- Ability to conduct sales calls with SMB owners.
- Be in the field and on sales calls, leading by example, to sell our various digital products using the current and evolving sales process.
- Consult and educate clients in Digital Advertising and Marketing.
- Assist sales and marketing in promoting the entire line of digital products.
- Develop coaching plans and track results through sales management team.
- Identify trends, quantify impact, and communicate improvement opportunities to the product team.
- Primary source of sales pitch and strategy development and implementation for digital products.

**Requirements:**

- Highly knowledgeable with digital media, SEO, SEM, Digital Advertising.
- Confidence in pitching and closing business.
- Strong focus on teamwork and ability to manage relationships across multiple departments.
- Ability to multi-task, meet deadlines, and thrive in a fast-paced, deadline-oriented environment.
- Bachelor's Degree preferred
- Valid US driver's license and reliable transportation.

**The perks:**

- A great work environment it's never boring here!
- Paid in-depth sales and product training.
- Competitive base salary, uncapped commissions for unlimited earning potential, and significant opportunity for advancement within the company.
- Collaboration ideas and input are always welcome
- Health, dental, 401k, paid time off we have you covered

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SALES JOBS

### Employment Account Executive

The Midland Reporter-Telegram, part of Hearst Communications, is excited to announce that due to our continued growth in the Midland, TX market, we are seeking an Employment Account Executive just like you to join our team! We are looking for an experienced Human Resources executive that wants to help hiring managers in Midland and West Texas utilize our advanced hiring platform - TexasBackToWork.com. This platform allows hiring managers to access the largest pool of potential job candidates and track them through the recruitment process.

Join Midland's leading media company and become part of the winning sales team that offers advertisers a robust suite of digital and print products to help them achieve hiring needs. We are seeking digital savvy, highly motivated sales professionals to sell our marketing solutions to local businesses. Our ideal candidate will be goal oriented, is a relentless hunter, driving to win new businesses, and has a track record of exceeding monthly goals.

The ideal candidate will have experience in the Human Resources area and will maximize advertising sales potential, through the development of quality business relationships with hiring managers. This position requires a heavy amount of prospecting and lead-development with local and regional businesses. We pride ourselves on simplifying the hiring process for our customers. You will be selling a digital hiring solution to your customers with a regional, statewide and national footprint.

**Responsibilities include:**

- Consistently meets/exceeds revenue goals.
- Develops relationships with HR departments throughout West Texas to sell and promote Texas Back to Work.
- Delivering customized sales presentations in person, or by phone/web-demos
- Be the face of the Midland Reporter-Telegram and ensure a superior customer experience

**The Ideal Candidate:**

- Experience within Human Resources or Employment Agency is preferred.
- You have an outgoing, resilient personality
- You enjoy the thrill of the hunt by bringing in new business
- You're confident and not willing to accept average

**Required Skills & Experience:**

- Passion to succeed and close deals
- Exceptional communication and presentation skills
- Strong computer skills, Digital Sales experience a plus
- Bachelor's degree preferred

**What's in it for you?**

- Paid training
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### Systems Administrator

Performs network and system support functions on segments of the computer environment, including planned and emergency maintenance, performance and security analysis, and monitoring, tuning, and implementing new products and procedures. Analyzes emerging technology and makes recommendations for constant improvements to network and infrastructure services and capabilities.

**Job Duties:**

- Designs and coordinates segments of the IT architecture
- Manages server applications, including but not limited to social media, Active Directory, operating systems, and email
- Produces and maintains IT design, architectural, and specifications documentation, as identified
- Monitors information storage systems, schedules, and tests, including backup and recovery tasks, as identified
- Provides research, development, and planning of the IT infrastructure
- Is responsible for the validating, building, and testing IT solutions, analyzing IT infrastructure technical issues, and supporting the design, planning, building, and testing of new IT solutions, as assigned
- Performs related duties as assigned
- Subject to recall 24/7

**Qualifications:**

- Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science plus two years of experience in a related field is required.
- Four years experience may be substituted for the Bachelor's degree requirement.
- Valid Texas Driver's License

**Benefits:**

- Health care Plans
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- Employee Wellness Program
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### Fleet Technician

Diagnoses, repairs and maintains city trucks and heavy equipment.

**Job Duties:**

- Diagnoses equipment and vehicle malfunctions such as ignition, steering, emission control, electrical, and heating and air conditioning. Estimates costs and submits to specifications.
- Determines the appropriateness of off-site repairs such as oil and filter changes, tires and mufflers.
- Inspects vehicles for safety stickers.
- Determines readiness and fitness of new vehicles. Installs special equipment.
- Employee must provide own hand tools. City supplies major equipment including power tools, computerized analyzer, and other diagnostic equipment.
- Reads blue prints, electrical diagrams, manuals and other specifications in order to make repairs.
- Performs emergency repairs for various departments.
- Maintains records of work performed such as work orders, logs, historical information, and special written requests.

**Qualifications:**

- High School graduate or GED
- Knowledge of proper tools used in welding and fabrication
- Three years training as a mechanic or in a related field
- Valid Texas Class A CDL, Driver's License within one year of employment
- Texas Department of Public Safety Inspector Certificate required within one year of employment.

**Benefits:**

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### Transportation Truck Driver

Responsible for driving Water, Dump, and/or Belly Dump Truck and hauling water/culch to drill rigs, fracturing crews, etc. Hauls water/culch from well locations to proper disposal facilities.

**Qualifications:**

- High school education or equivalent.
- Experience can range from commercial truck driving experience preferred to one year as a water truck driver required.
- Valid Class A CDL with Tanker endorsement.
- Clean driving record.
- Salary competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.

**Comprehensive Benefits package!**

- Medical, Dental, & Vision
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- Company Paid Life
- Tuition Reimbursement
- Onsite Fitness Center

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SKILLED LABOR

### Code Enforcement Officer

Performs inspections of private and public properties to ensure compliance with municipal ordinances, zoning and land use regulations which govern the maintenance of property, grounds and structures.

**Job Duties:**

- Visually inspects properties for code violations as initiated by a complaint or routine inspection.
- Enters data into the computer to generate notice of violations to property owners or to record inspections.
- Responds to citizen calls regarding code violations, mail information regarding zoning or city regulations.
- Researches planned districts, nonconforming uses, plats and legal uses of property for the department.
- Manages city contracts for the clearing of lots, to include bidding projects, preparing contracts, awarding contracts and preparing payments to contractors.
- Conducts inspections to ensure proper environmental compliance in response to complaints.
- Provides information to the public and contractors regarding the requirements of zoning and related code and city requirements.
- Conducts field inspections of junked and abandoned vehicles, abandoned structures and other properties for compliance with city codes.
- Performs related duties as required.

**Qualifications:**

- Ability to effectively communicate with developers, citizens and other employees in order to provide information regarding city codes and possible violations.
- Ability to read and understand materials including City Ordinances, professional literature, plans, correspondence and manuals. Ability to write reports and correspondence. Skills in math. Skills to communicate both orally and in writing. Knowledge of office equipment including personal computer.

High school diploma or equivalent and a valid Texas driver's license required. Certification through Texas Department of Health as a Certified Code Enforcement Officer, or ability to obtain after one year of training. Certification as Property Maintenance and Housing Inspector, or ability to obtain within one year.

**Benefits:**

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### Customer Service (Field Work)

Performs field work regarding current or past water service.

**Job Duties:**

- Turns water on for new customers, disconnects water for customers leaving or re-connects service that had been disconnected. Obtains new or current readings due to new service or broken lines.
- Sets meters to establish or re-establish service.
- Pulls meters should instances occur when customer fails to set up service.
- Collects past due utility bills so that water can be connected.
- Changes our broken meter stop valves and meter box lids.
- Verifies or re-reads meter information when complaints are filed.
- Performs related duties as required.

**Qualifications:**

- Ability to effectively communicate with citizens, other departments and employees in order to provide information on current repairs or the reading of meters.
- Ability to read work orders and maps in order to find street locations. Skill in math in determining amount of water utilized. Skill in the use of variety of hand tools such as shovels, meter wrenches and meter keys.

Valid Texas Driver's License required. Employee must be bondable.

**Benefits:**

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### Effluent Distribution Technician

Maintains pivots in good working order and prevents holding ponds from overflowing.

**Job Duties:**

- Determines which pump units to operate and maintains center pivots in good working order. Repairs and services when necessary.
- Operates gates and bogen system in order to store water without allowing holding ponds to overflow. Determines where and when to store water.
- Monitors operations in order to apply the proper amount of water.
- Repairs water line leaks and breaks.
- Uses equipment such as loaders and backhoes in order to fill gullies caused by operations.
- Maintains and repairs electrical systems on central pivot units.
- Performs related duties as required.

**Qualifications:**

- Ability to effectively communicate with employees in order to receive work orders or instructions for any project.
- Ability to read operator's manuals, gauges and work orders in order to maintain or repair meters or parts. Skill in writing to record results.

High school diploma or equivalent required plus six months to one year of experience. C Operator's certification from the THRECC. Valid Texas Driver's License required.

**Benefits:**

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### Electronics Tech - Airport

Performs routine and preventive maintenance of electrical equipment systems. Works under the direction of the Electrical/Electronics Specialist.

**Job Duties:**

- Performs preventive maintenance on automatic gates, automatic doors, parking lot equipment, lighting, security systems, jetway systems, etc.
- Assists the Electrical/Electronics Specialist in the day to day operations of the Airport facility as needed.
- Performs other related duties as assigned.

**Qualifications:**

- Employee communicates with other employees in the work group and may respond to questions from the general public regarding services or specific projects.
- Ability to read and understand work orders and equipment manuals. Skill in the operation of hand tools and equipment such as electrical measuring meters and devices.

High school diploma or equivalent plus two to three years of experience as an electrician required. Journeyman's License as an electrician required. Valid Texas Driver's License required.

**Benefits:**

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### Local Drivers

Local truck drivers needed. Home nightly, local routes, scheduled shifts 5am-5pm (14/7 rotational) over or call, optional overtime.

**Qualifications:**

- High school education or equivalent.
- Valid operator's license.
- Clean driving record.
- DOT compliant

**Comprehensive Benefits package!**

- Medical, Dental, & Vision
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### Electrical/Electronics Tech - WPP

Troubleshoots and maintains electrical, SCADA and control equipment for the well field, Purification Plant, Water Pollution Control Plant, water storage towers, booster station.

**BUDGETARY RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Assists in the development of the budget and makes recommendations for purchases and capital items to the appropriate division during the annual budget process.

**Job Duties:**

- Troubleshoots and repairs electrical service to any facility within the Utilities Department.
- Troubleshoots and repairs control circuits at any facility within the Utilities Department.
- Troubleshoots and repairs SCADA equipment at any facility within the Utilities Department.
- Programs SCADA and control circuits at any facility within the Utilities Department.
- Calculates electrical loads for equipment and installs wiring.
- Calculates equipment and supplies required for jobs by reading code books and blue prints.
- Keeps abreast of changes in the Electrical Code and Regulations and makes recommendations on their impacts to the City.
- Maintains inventory of supplies used and replaces as needed.
- Performs Operations & Maintenance duties as assigned.
- Performs related duties as required.

**Qualifications:**

- Employee communicates with other employees and the public, as necessary.
- Ability to read operator's manuals, blue prints and schematics in order to maintain electrical, SCADA and control equipment throughout the Utilities Department in good working order. Skill in the operation of electrical and mechanical hand and power tools. Employee must perform mathematical calculations in order to determine electrical needs. Skill in writing to record results and track work. Will be on-call.

High school diploma or equivalent required plus two years of experience. A valid Apprentice Electrician license from the State of Texas or have successfully completed 12 college hours of electronics coursework would be preferred. Valid Texas driver's license required. Must also obtain a valid state of Texas class 'C' or above water works license.

**Benefits:**

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### Electrical Apprentice

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### Engineering Tech - Construction Inspector

Perform responsible work in support of city engineering staff. Work relates to engineering construction activities such as construction inspection of municipal projects involving construction of asphalt or concrete pavement, sidewalks, ramps, water lines and sewer lines.

**Job Duties:**

- Inspect forms, materials and workmanship for compliance with plans and specifications.
- Tests materials and workmanship as required.
- Maintain daily diary and records on projects including emergency telephone numbers for key people.
- Maintain inspection project files for all phases of construction for each project. Provides information to update record drawings.
- Inspect traffic control devices for compliance with plans and the Texas Manual on Uniform Control Devices. Make safety inspections to note deficiencies for correction.
- Analyze field construction problems and assist engineers with recommending corrections.
- Performs survey work as requested by Engineering staff.
- Coordinates with traffic, utility companies, landowners, etc. before and during construction.
- Acts as project field coordinator for contractors, utility companies and city departments.
- Researches utility locations and right of way, assemble plot and deed information and produces plan views.
- As appropriate, trains and evaluates the progress of other employees.
- Performs related duties as assigned.

**Qualifications:**

- Must be able to use and communicate by hand-held radio. Basic skill in the use of a variety of machines, including personal computers, printers, calculators, scanners and large document copier are preferred.
- Must have a valid Texas Driver's License and a good driving record. Employee must be able to effectively communicate with other employees in the work group. Must be able to correctly respond to questions from contractors, surveyors, inspectors, or city staff regarding work performed or applicable specifications related to a design or construction project.
- Must coordinate effectively with other city departments, contractors, and utility companies when designing or scheduling work. Must possess skill to observe, read, and interpret written technical materials and construction drawings. Ability to use leveling and measuring equipment.
- Must have obtained a High school diploma or equivalent GED plus 5 years of experience in civil construction trades. College degree or construction certification preferred. Extensive knowledge of state, federal, and local laws and requirements regarding construction, surveying and safety standards.
- Extensive skill in observing, reading and interpreting written technical materials and construction drawings. Extensive knowledge of city codes and ordinances and other state and federal requirements regarding utility construction and safety standards.
- Extensive knowledge of engineering standards and construction practices for water, sewer, street and drainage design. Intermediate skill in drafting with computer aided design systems such as AutoCAD. Intermediate skill in developing field notes and survey plots for boundary surveys.

**Benefits:**

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### Equipment Operator - Landfill

Disposes of refuse through the use of heavy equipment at the Landfill.

**Job Duties:**

- Disposes of refuse with the use of heavy equipment such as compactors, scrapers, bulldozers and related equipment.
- Maintains access roads to the Landfill.
- Conducts roll-off at the end of each day.
- Maintains all equipment in good working order and keeps records of service problems. Submits daily maintenance sheets to supervisor.
- Performs preventive maintenance on equipment such as oil changes. Determines when servicing of vehicles is required.
- Monitors vehicles as they enter, unload and leave the Landfill. Gives directions to citizens.
- Performs related duties as assigned.

**Qualifications:**

- Ability to effectively communicate with employees in order to receive work orders or instructions for any project.
- Ability to read, interpret and understand local, state and federal regulations related to disposal. Knowledge of the processes used in collection and disposal of waste materials. Ability to follow instructions and manuals for equipment repair and maintenance. Skill in the use of various equipment and machinery such as hand and electrical power tools and heavy equipment utilized in disposal activities such as compactors, lifts, chutes and hydraulic systems as well as simple shovels, brooms and rakes. Ability to read operator's manuals and work orders.

High school diploma or equivalent, plus one to three years of equipment operation preferred. Valid Texas driver's license required.

**Benefits:**

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### Front Desk/Medical Records Clerk

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**Equipment Operator - Water and Wastewater**

Performs manual and unskilled labor of more than ordinary difficulty, which often involves the use of acquired skills and operates several types of light vehicles and equipment. Does related work and training as required.

**Qualifications:**  
Ability to effectively communicate with employees in order to receive work orders or instructions for any project.

Ability to read, interpret and understand local, state and federal regulations related to water and sewer system maintenance. Knowledge of the processes used in utility maintenance. Ability to follow instructions and manuals for equipment repair and maintenance. Skill in the use of various equipment and machinery such as hand and electrical power tools. Skill in the use of heavy equipment utilized in maintenance activities such as backhoes, ditch witch, and jet truck. Ability to read operator's manuals and work orders.

High school diploma or equivalent required. Valid Texas CDL Class A driver's license required or must be obtained within 6 months of employment. Must possess or be able to obtain Wastewater Certification Class I and Water Distribution D Certificate within a reasonable length of time.

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**Lab Technician**

The employee is responsible for performing, monitoring, and interpreting the results of tests necessary for the operation and regulatory compliance of the water and wastewater operations of the City of Midland. They are also responsible for the interpretation and implementation of regulations promulgated by State and Federal authorities.

Assists in the development of the budget for laboratory operations and makes recommendations for purchases and capital items during the annual budget process. Monitors expenditures during the year.

**Job Duties:**  
• Responsible for the daily operation of laboratories in support of the Utilities Department. Conduct bacteriological, chemical, physical and instrumental analysis of water and wastewater samples submitted to the laboratory.  
• Maintain equipment and supplies for the laboratory as well as for the City's facilities. This includes accurately maintaining extensive records tracking all chemicals, supplies, and equipment used for daily operations.  
• Collect, analyze, and interpret results of environmental, water and wastewater samples.  
• Prepares reagents for use at the laboratory and performs standardization of reagents to ensure quality.  
• Adjust maintain work area, supplies, and equipment in an orderly, safe, and clean manner.  
• Maintains accurate and extensive analytical data records of data for future use.  
• Investigates and reports on complaints and all other problems delegated by the Director of Utilities.  
• Makes monthly reports or as required to the Water Regulator Agencies and Utilities.  
• Keeps abreast of professional developments in the field.  
• Keeps apprised of State/Federal regulations and makes recommendations on their impacts to the City.  
• Performs related duties as required. Available for on-call obligations and work on weekends as needed.

**Qualifications:**  
Employee has contact with general public, other employees, and other organizations.

Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Must have skill in writing to record results of analysis. Employee generates memos and reports of work performed. Ability to perform chemical analysis. Must have thorough knowledge of chemistry and good knowledge of water and wastewater treatment. Must possess knowledge of computer software and applications. Working in experience lab preferred.

Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry, Biology or related field is preferred. Must be able to obtain Class D water operator license in the State of Texas within a year after hired and be able to maintain the license while employed.

**Benefits:**  
• Health care Plans  
• Paid Vacation/ Sick Leave  
• Paid Holidays  
• Employee Wellness Program  
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**Lead Water Purification Plant Operator**

This position requires a demonstrated ability to perform advanced functions related to the operation and maintenance of equipment at all water treatment facilities. This position functions as a Lead Operator and also as Chief Plant operator when required, performing complex analysis of the Water Treatment Plant operations and having direct charge of the operation of a water treatment facility or Water Production Facilities. Positions at this level provide instruction and assistance in lower level Water Treatment Plant Operators. This position is normally filled by advancement from the Water Treatment Operator II. Position requires three to five years of experience in a Surface Water Treatment Plant Operator and must possess a minimum of a Class C Surface Water Treatment Plant Operator Certificate issued by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality at the time of accepting position.

**Benefits:**  
• Health care Plans  
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**Maintenance Specialist - Animal Services**

Maintains the animal shelter and grounds, provides quality care for the animals in our custody and assists the public and other animal control personnel.

**Job Duties:**  
• Processes animals that are brought to the animal shelter by providing health evaluations, parasite control, scanning for microchips and placing in the proper holding area.  
• Maintains the sanitation and environment of kennel areas, cat facilities, quarantine areas, vehicle facilities and administrative offices.  
• Assists in euthanasia and the disposal of animals as required.  
• Maintains and operates the animal cremation system for mass disposal and private cremations.  
• Picks up large quantities of dead animals from veterinarians for disposal by cremation.  
• Micro-chips animals that leave animal control custody.  
• Euthanizes dead and live animals from the public, veterinarians and animal control offices.  
• Performs preventative maintenance on equipment, building and grounds.  
• Provides assistance to visitors.  
• Operates a vehicle to pick up dead livestock and supplies and other machinery.  
• Performs other duties as assigned.

**Qualifications:**  
Employee communicates with other employees in the work group and may respond to questions from the general public regarding services or animals that may be in the kennel. Employee may have direct contact with other animal control personnel such as the SPCA, various humane societies and animal rescue organizations.

Ability to deal with the public and provide humane care for the animals. Some knowledge in the recognition of animal diseases is needed. Ability to follow both written and oral instructions is also necessary.

High school diploma or equivalent preferred. Valid Texas driver's license required. Must be able to obtain Department of State Health Services Basic Certification within one year of employment. Must be able to obtain euthanasia certification within six months of employment.

**Benefits:**  
• Health care Plans  
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**Maintenance Specialist - Parks - Sports Complex**

Performs all routine maintenance work for the parks division at the sports complex, including special events.

**Job Duties:**  
• Performs routine buildings and grounds maintenance.  
• Removes trash from containers.  
• Inspects grounds and athletic areas and facilities for repairs.  
• Operates and maintains equipment used in daily operations. Fills out reports and submits to supervisor.  
• Helps set up of special events and sports tournaments.  
• Works weekends and evenings as required.  
• Performs other related duties as required.

**Qualifications:**  
Employee communicates with other employees in the work group and may respond to questions from the general public regarding services or specific projects.

Ability to read and understand work orders and equipment manuals. Skill in troubleshooting air conditioning and plumbing. Ability to operate hand tools and equipment such as mowers, gas powered trimmers, saws and other gardening and maintenance tools.

High school diploma or equivalent preferred. Valid Texas Driver's License, CDL preferred.

**Benefits:**  
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NATURAL RESOURCES  
NOW HIRING

**Instrumentation & Electrical Technician**

Maintains all electrical equipment used to monitor and control oil well services equipment. Home nightly.

**Qualifications:**  
• High school education or equivalent.  
• 6 months experience maintaining and repairing electronic instrumentation and automation equipment.  
• Valid operator's license with clean driving record.

**Comprehensive Benefits package!**  
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NOW HIRING

**Plant Maintenance Mechanic - Water Purification Plant**

Performs skilled & semi-skilled maintenance duties as they relate to equipment repair and upkeep. Perform manufacturer recommended preventative maintenance to equipment at the Water Purification Plant.

**Job Duties:**  
• Repairs equipment including pumps, chemical feeders, valves and specialized equipment.  
• Performs preventative maintenance on plant equipment according to manufacturer's recommendations.  
• Performs annual maintenance at plants including but not limited to cleaning and painting of water treatment basins and painting of equipment.  
• Performs electrical repairs including wiring of electric motors, switches, and panels.  
• Troubleshoots electrical problems including checking and repairing control circuits.  
• Serves as a shift relief as needed, assuming full authority, duties and responsibilities of position that is being filled.  
• Performs related duties as required.

**Qualifications:**  
Employee communicates with other employees and the public, as necessary.

Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Knowledge of plant operations and maintenance. Skill in performing mathematical calculations. Ability to use testing and measuring equipment. Skill in the use of hand tools, test equipment, and welding tools. May work rotating shifts.

High school diploma or equivalent required. One to three years experience in a related field preferred. Must receive and retain a valid "C" Water license within 3 years of employment. Must receive Hazmat Awareness level and SCBA certifications within 1 year of employment. Must remain qualified to wear SCBA. Must possess a valid Texas Class "D" CDL, or have the ability to obtain license within a reasonable amount of time.

**Benefits:**  
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NOW HIRING

**Service Center Technician**

Performs the installation and repair and general maintenance on vehicles and machinery.

**Job Duties:**  
• Repair flat tires. Remove and install wheels and tires from vehicles and equipment.  
• Responds to requests for towing and service calls.  
• Performs electrical jump starts on vehicles and equipment.  
• Performs diagnostic checks on batteries and alternators. Charges out as necessary.  
• Balance tires.  
• Performs engine oil and filter changes. Changes transmission oils and filters.  
• Cleans and maintains shop facilities, equipment, tools and grounds.  
• Orients and leaves parts.  
• Opens work orders, changes out parts and close work orders as required.  
• Performs related duties as required.

**Qualifications:**  
Ability to effectively communicate with employees, management and vendors in order to diagnose repairs and order materials for repair.

Knowledge of proper tools used in general automotive repairs. Ability to safely use tools, vehicles and equipment such as welders, the hoist and levelers, bars, the air and wheel balancers, the machines, jacks, air impact wrenches, belt sile and assorted hand tools. Skill in the reading and practical application of manuals, schematics and other similar specifications used by city departments. Ability to read, measure and calculate types and sizes of materials needed and ability to reason amount of time that will be used in the actual repair process. Ability to speak, understand and follow instructions in English.

High school diploma or equivalent plus one year of general service station equipment to required. Experience in fitting vehicles, changing oil and oil filters, and changing or repairing auto and large equipment tires is also required. Employee must have dependable transportation and a telephone at their residence. A valid Texas license required, CDL preferred. Must have a State of Texas Inspection License or ability to obtain within 90 days.

**DAYS & HOURS:**  
Monday - Friday, 2:00 pm to 11:00 pm

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**Utility Plant Operator - Water Purification Plant**

The primary function of a Water Plant employee is to perform semi-skilled and skilled operations and maintenance duties in our water facility, including monitoring, operating, maintaining and adjusting equipment. Additionally, an employee performs data collection and reporting functions to ensure compliance with Federal and State water quality requirements & Standards.

**Job Duties:**  
• Gathers and compiles chemical analysis of water samples. Interprets and logs results.  
• Controls water treatment processes to meet regulatory standards.  
• Operates and monitors various water plant equipment and machinery.  
• Maintains daily and hourly records of plant operations.  
• Monitors and controls booster pumps and storage within the City.  
• Keeps abreast of professional developments in the field.  
• Operates SCADA system to monitor and control well field production.  
• Reports maintenance issues that affect plant Operations.  
• Assists maintenance personnel as assigned and when needed.  
• Performs routine cleaning of work areas.  
• Performs related duties as assigned.

**Qualifications:**  
Employee communicates with other employees and the public, as necessary.

Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Skill in performing mathematical calculations. Ability to use testing and measuring equipment. Must work rotating shifts.

High school diploma or equivalent required. Must receive and retain a valid "C" Surface Water license from the State of Texas within 3 years of employment. Must receive Hazmat Awareness level and SCBA certifications within 1 year of employment. Must remain qualified to wear SCBA. Must possess a valid class "C" Texas driver's license.

**Benefits:**  
• Health care Plans  
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NOW HIRING

**Well Field Technician - Paul Davis**

Has primary responsibility for operation and maintenance of well fields, Water Purification and associated potable water storage.

**Job Duties:**  
• Assists other Utility Department Divisions as required.  
• Performs Operations & maintenance duties as required at WPP.  
• Controls water distribution processes to meet regulatory standards.  
• Operates and maintains various water production and storage equipment.  
• Maintains required records of operations, generates monthly report and maintenance records.  
• Monitors and controls booster pumps and storage.  
• Keeps abreast of professional developments in the field.  
• Operates SCADA system to monitor and control well field production.  
• Performs routine cleaning of assigned area. Maintains grounds at well field compounds.  
• Performs other duties as assigned.

**Qualifications:**  
Employee communicates with other employees and the public, as necessary.

**RELOCATION MANDATORY**

Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Knowledge of pumps, motors and lower operations and maintenance. Knowledge of electricity and electronics. Skill in performing mathematical calculations. Ability to use testing and measuring equipment. On call 50% evenings and weekends.

High school diploma or equivalent required. Must receive and retain a valid "C" Groundwater license from the State of Texas within 3 years of employment. Must receive Hazmat Awareness level and SCBA certifications within 1 year of employment. Must remain qualified to wear SCBA. Must possess a valid Texas Class "D" CDL, required or have the ability to obtain license within a reasonable amount of time.

**Benefits:**  
• Health care Plans  
• Paid Vacation/ Sick Leave  
• Paid Holidays  
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NOW HIRING

**Well Field Technician - Airport Well Field**

Has primary responsibility for operation and maintenance of well fields, Water Purification Plant and associated potable water storage.

**Job Duties:**  
• Assists other Utility Department divisions as required.  
• Performs operations and maintenance duties as required at WPP.  
• Controls water distribution processes to meet regulatory standards.  
• Operates and maintains various water production and storage equipment.  
• Maintains required records of operations.  
• Generates monthly reports and maintenance records.  
• Monitors and controls booster pumps and storage.  
• Keeps abreast of professional developments in the field.  
• Operates SCADA system to monitor and control well field production.  
• Performs routine cleaning of assigned area.  
• Maintains house and grounds at well field compounds.  
• Performs other duties as assigned.

**Qualifications:**  
Employee communicates with other employees and the public, as necessary.

Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Knowledge of pumps, motors and lower operations and maintenance. Knowledge of electricity and electronics. Skill in performing mathematical calculations. Ability to use testing and measuring equipment. On call 50% of evenings and weekends.

High school diploma or equivalent required. Must receive and retain a valid "C" Groundwater license from the State of Texas within 3 years of employment. Must receive Hazmat Awareness level and SCBA certifications within 1 year of employment. Must remain qualified to wear SCBA. Valid Texas class "D" CDL required or must be obtained within 1 year of employment.

**Benefits:**  
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NOW HIRING

**Utility Plant Operator - WPCP**

Assists in the operation of the waste water treatment plant.

**Job Duties:**  
• Collects water samples for testing and analysis in primary treatment area.  
• Operates and maintains primary treatment equipment and observes the operation of related plant equipment.  
• Reads gauges, records information and reports problems to the Operator, or other supervisors.  
• Performs janitorial and grounds keeping duties in assigned areas.  
• Performs related duties as assigned.

**Qualifications:**  
Ability to effectively communicate with employees and supervisors on plant condition and in order to receive work orders or instructions for any project.

Ability to read operator's manuals, gauges and work orders to collect samples for analysis. Skill in writing to record results. Shift work required.

High school diploma or equivalent required plus ability to obtain C operator's certification from the THRCOC within established time constraints. Valid Texas Driver's License.

**DAYS & HOURS:**  
Rotating Shift, Rotating Days Off

**Benefits:**  
• Health care Plans  
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**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS  
OIL AND GAS DIVISION**

DISTRICT 08  
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Mar 27, 2018  
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, May 1, 2018  
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas  
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit  
P. O. Box 12967  
Austin, Texas 78711-2967  
Fax: (512) 463-6780  
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

Rule 37 Case No. 0310014  
Status/Permit No. 837349

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 20, Blk. 38 T3S, T&P RR CO / KNOWLES, J H Survey, A-949, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, MIDLAND County, being 14.3 miles SE direction from MIDLAND, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessee of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protester should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-8848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 (512)463-6751.

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The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

**FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)**

Lease/Unit Name	DONALD L. HUTT FEE W20N	
Lease/Unit Well No.	14H	
Lease/Unit Acres	4726.3	
Nearest Lease Line (R)	1.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (R)	415.0	
Lease Lines	1480.0 F WEST L.	1430.0 F SOUTH L.
Survey Lines	1480.0 F WEST L.	1430.0 F SOUTH L.

Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal  
Lateral: TH1  
Penetration Point Location  
Lease Lines: 1480.0 F WEST L.  
1430.0 F SOUTH L.

Terminus Location  
BH County: MIDLAND  
Section: 45 Block: 38 Abstract: 1049  
Survey: SHACKELFORD, MRS S E

Lease Lines	968.0 F WEST L.	100.0 F NORTH L.
Survey Lines	968.0 F WEST L.	100.0 F NORTH L.

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:  
SPRABERRY (TREND AREA): Special Rules 3300, 80.0 acres.  
This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10480 feet.  
If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Carol Adler at (972) 598-8793.

**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS  
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Austin, Texas 78711-2967  
Fax: (512) 463-6780  
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

Rule 37 Case No. 0310013  
Status/Permit No. 837347

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Lease/Unit Name	DONALD L. HUTT FEE W20M	
Lease/Unit Well No.	13M	
Lease/Unit Acres	4726.3	
Nearest Lease Line (R)	1.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (R)	415.0	
Lease Lines	1440.0 F WEST L.	1430.0 F SOUTH L.
Survey Lines	1440.0 F WEST L.	1430.0 F SOUTH L.

Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal  
Lateral: TH1  
Penetration Point Location  
Lease Lines: 1440.0 F WEST L.  
1430.0 F SOUTH L.

Terminus Location  
BH County: MIDLAND  
Section: 45 Block: 38 Abstract: 1049  
Survey: SHACKELFORD, MRS S E

Lease Lines	138.0 F WEST L.	100.0 F NORTH L.
Survey Lines	138.0 F WEST L.	100.0 F NORTH L.

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Pursuant to section 59 of the Texas Property Code, NSS Management will hold a public auction in order to satisfy a landlord's lien of personal property for Texas Wide Self Storage, 3806 W. Loop 250 N., Midland, TX 79707. On Thursday April 19, 2018 at 10AM The Auction will be held online at [WWW.StorageTreasures.com](http://WWW.StorageTreasures.com). Storage units are believed to contain general household items. Auction will close on Thursday April 26, 2018 @ 4PM. Units to be auctioned include: Nicholas Soles. The sale is open to cash buyers only. The facility has a right to place a minimum bid on each unit. All sales are final. Questions can be directed to The Property Manager.

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Rule 37 Case No. 0310015  
Status/Permit No. 837353

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Lease/Unit Acres	4726.3	
Nearest Lease Line (R)	1.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (R)	415.0	
Lease Lines	1480.0 F WEST L.	1430.0 F SOUTH L.
Survey Lines	1480.0 F WEST L.	1430.0 F SOUTH L.

Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal  
Lateral: TH1  
Penetration Point Location  
Lease Lines: 1480.0 F WEST L.  
1430.0 F SOUTH L.

Terminus Location  
BH County: MIDLAND  
Section: 45 Block: 38 Abstract: 1049  
Survey: SHACKELFORD, MRS S E

Lease Lines	1798.0 F WEST L.	100.0 F NORTH L.
Survey Lines	1798.0 F WEST L.	100.0 F NORTH L.

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**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS  
OIL AND GAS DIVISION**

DISTRICT 08  
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Mar 27, 2018  
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, May 1, 2018  
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas  
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit  
P. O. Box 12967  
Austin, Texas 78711-2967  
Fax: (512) 463-6780  
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

Rule 37 Case No. 0310016  
Status/Permit No. 837357

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION**

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Lease/Unit Name	DONALD L. HUTT FEE W20P	
Lease/Unit Well No.	16H	
Lease/Unit Acres	4726.3	
Nearest Lease Line (R)	1.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (R)	415.0	
Lease Lines	1500.0 F WEST L.	1430.0 F SOUTH L.
Survey Lines	1500.0 F WEST L.	1430.0 F SOUTH L.

Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal  
Lateral: TH1  
Penetration Point Location  
Lease Lines: 1500.0 F WEST L.  
1430.0 F SOUTH L.

Terminus Location  
BH County: MIDLAND  
Section: 45 Block: 38 Abstract: 1049  
Survey: SHACKELFORD, MRS S E

Lease Lines	2628.0 F WEST L.	100.0 F NORTH L.
Survey Lines	2628.0 F WEST L.	100.0 F NORTH L.

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**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION**

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0310010  
 DATE OF ISSUANCE: Mar 27, 2018 Status/Permit No. 837316  
 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, May 1, 2018  
 Address: Railroad Commission of Texas  
 ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit  
 P. O. Box 12967  
 Austin, Texas 78711-2967  
 Fax: (512) 463-6780  
 Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

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**FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)**

Lease/Unit Name	DONALD L HUTT FEE W205	
Lease/Unit Well No.	19H	
Lease/Unit Acres	4726.3	
Nearest Lease Line (R)	1.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (R)	415.0	
Lease Lines	1365.0 F WEST L.	1280.0 F SOUTH L.
Survey Lines	1365.0 F WEST L.	1280.0 F SOUTH L.

Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal  
 Lateral: TH1  
 Penetration Point Location  
 Lease Lines: 1365.0 F WEST L. 1280.0 F SOUTH L.

Terminus Location  
 BH County: MIDLAND  
 Section: 45 Block: 38 Abstract: 1049  
 Survey: SHACKELFORD, MRS S E  
 Lease Lines: 553.0 F WEST L. 100.0 F NORTH L.  
 Survey Lines: 553.0 F WEST L. 100.0 F NORTH L.

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**SPRABERRY (TREND AREA):** Special Rules 3300, 80.0 acres.  
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**RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION**

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0310011  
 DATE OF ISSUANCE: Mar 27, 2018 Status/Permit No. 837338  
 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, May 1, 2018  
 Address: Railroad Commission of Texas  
 ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit  
 P. O. Box 12967  
 Austin, Texas 78711-2967  
 Fax: (512) 463-6780  
 Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

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**FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)**

Lease/Unit Name	DONALD L HUTT FEE W207	
Lease/Unit Well No.	20H	
Lease/Unit Acres	4726.3	
Nearest Lease Line (R)	1.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (R)	415.0	
Lease Lines	1410.0 F WEST L.	1280.0 F SOUTH L.
Survey Lines	1410.0 F WEST L.	1280.0 F SOUTH L.

Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal  
 Lateral: TH1  
 Penetration Point Location  
 Lease Lines: 1410.0 F WEST L. 1280.0 F SOUTH L.

Terminus Location  
 BH County: MIDLAND  
 Section: 45 Block: 38 Abstract: 1049  
 Survey: SHACKELFORD, MRS S E  
 Lease Lines: 1363.0 F WEST L. 100.0 F NORTH L.  
 Survey Lines: 1363.0 F WEST L. 100.0 F NORTH L.

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18C01-1963-GU-00040

STATE OF INDIANA DELAWARE CIRCUIT COURT 1  
 COUNTY OF DELAWARE  
 IN RE THE MATTER OF  
 AIDEN SCOTT GREER  
 Minor Child

**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION TO MEGAN S. MUSICK OF FILING OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN AND HEARING THEREON**

On the 22ND Day of MAY, 2018, at 9 o'clock, a.m. in the Delaware Circuit Court No. 1, a hearing will be held to determine whether a guardian should be appointed for Aiden Scott Greer. A copy of the petition requesting appointment of a guardian is available in the Clerk's Office. At the hearing the court will determine whether Aiden Scott Greer is an incapacitated person under Indiana law. This proceeding may substantially affect the rights of Aiden Scott Greer.

If the Court finds that Aiden Scott Greer is an incapacitated person, the Court at the hearing shall also consider whether Carolyn and Roger York should be appointed as guardian of Aiden Scott Greer. The Court may, in its discretion, appoint some other qualified person as guardian. The Court may also, in its discretion, limit the powers and duties of the guardian to allow Aiden Scott Greer to retain control over certain property and activities. The court may also determine whether a protective order should be entered on behalf of Aiden Scott Greer.

Megan S. Musick may attend the hearing and be represented by an attorney. The petition may be heard and determined in the absence of Megan S. Musick if the Court determines that her presence is not required. The Court may, where required, appoint a guardian ad litem to represent Aiden Scott Greer at the hearing.

FURTHER, an associated cause, 18C01-1612-M-00042, is set for hearing, along with this petition for guardianship, on Carolyn and Roger York's petition for permanent custody of Aiden Scott Greer. A copy of said petition is available in the Clerk's Office. The nature of the action is stated in the petition you must appear in opposition to the petition in writing, by you or your attorney, within twenty (20) days commencing the day after you receive this summons, or a an order will be entered granting what the petitioner has demanded at the expiration of the statutory period.

If you have a claim for relief against the petitioner arising from the said matter, you must assert it in your written appearance.

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DATE: 3/27/2018 By: Michael A. King, Clerk

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FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Lease/Unit Name: DONALD L. HUTT FEE W20U Lease/Unit Well No.: 21H Lease/Unit Acres: 4726.3 Nearest Lease Line (ft): 1.0 Nearest Well on Lease (ft): 415.0

LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed Bid(s) will be received until 2:00 PM, April 25, 2018, to be opened at 2:00 P.M., in the Office of the City Secretary, City Hall, 300 N. Lorraine, Midland, Texas for the following Bid(s):

Bid No. 18001870 For Herbicide for Spraberry Farm

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Notice of public sale of property to satisfy landlord's lien. Sale is at 10:00 AM Thursday, April 5th, 2018 at 4011 N. Midland Dr., Midland, TX 79707.

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Contents of unit(s): AUCTION INFORMATION: Thursday, April 5th, 2018 @ 10:00 AM

Table with 3 columns: UNIT #, TENANT, DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY. Includes units 312 and 661.

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Tenkensley SWD LLC, PO Box 80245, San Angelo, Texas 76908 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a COMMERCIAL DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into a porous formation not productive of oil or gas.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6782)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Donn Nolan Roberts, Decedent, were issued to Sally Jo Roberts on March 27, 2018 in Cause No. P18362, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 4th day of April, 2018. PNESON LAW FIRM By: Brandon W. Pneson

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2012 BMW 528i - white with tan leather interior.

FORD 2004 F 150, XL 4 door crew cab, white with gold trim.

2014 STEEL Blue Jeep Wrangler Unlimited Rubicon.

CHEVROLET 2002 Suburban wrecked. \$895. See at 3112 Kestrel.

HARLEY Davidson, 2013 Street Bob Custom blue, black, chrome, windshield, Lizard light, etc.

1.50 CARAT engagement ring. Certified yellow diamond (center stone).

22.16 AC. COKE COUNTY. NEAR ROBERT LEE WELL.

49 AC. N. OF COMSTOCK, NEAR LAURE AMSTAD, W. TX BRUSH COUNTRY.

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**Weekly Writing Corner**

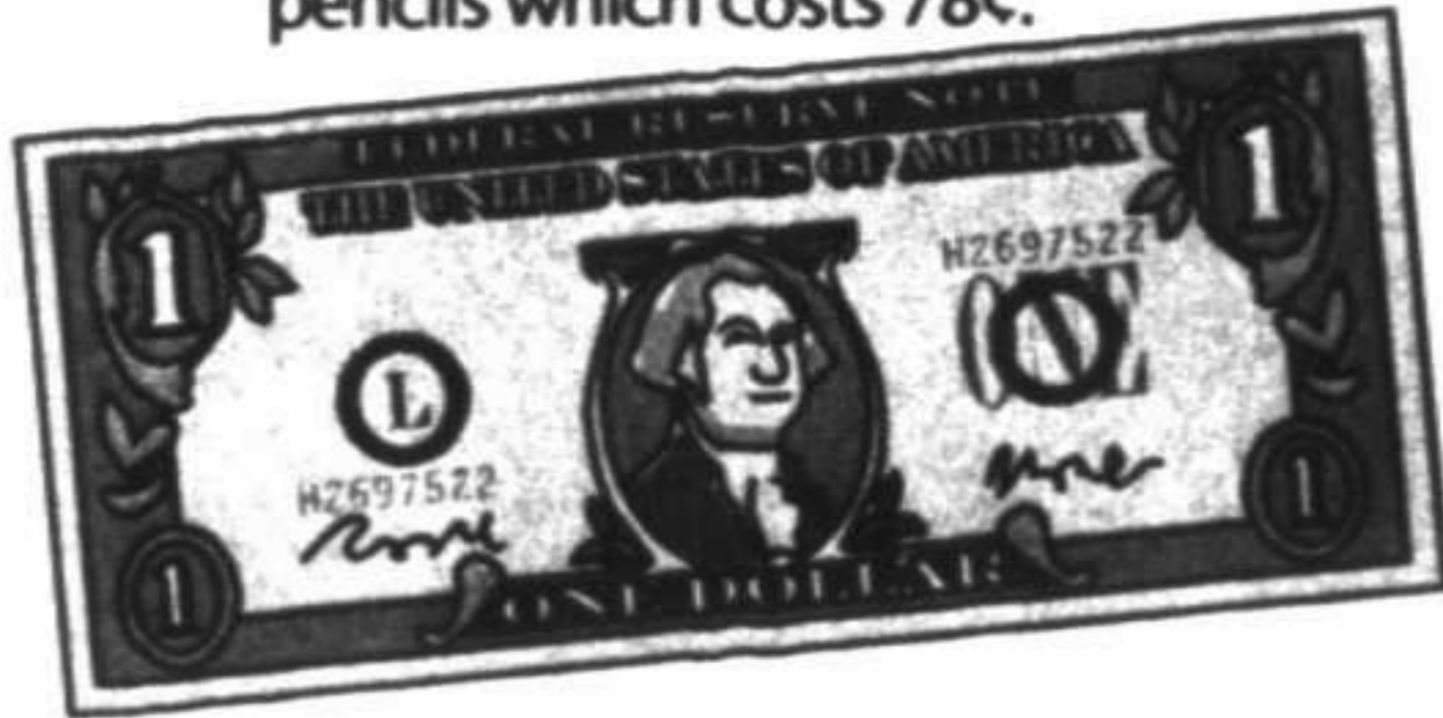
**Money Math**

Students write a math problem that solves a money question.

1. Mark goes to buy two computers. One of them costs \$335.52, the other costs \$242.92. All together how much money does Mark need?  
*Alex, 5<sup>th</sup> grade*
2. Bob has 5 nickels. Shane has 2 dollar bills. Nick has \$10.75 more than Bob and Shane together. How much money does Nick have?  
*Hannah, 5<sup>th</sup> grade*
3. Bob gave Sally \$25.00 for her birthday. Sally bought a clock for \$10.00 and gum for \$1.00. How much money does she have left?  
*Blake, 5<sup>th</sup> grade*
4. Tristen has \$6.00. He spent \$2.00. How much does he have left?  
*Tristan, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade*
5. Over the summer, I went on vacation to the Caribbean and Mexico on a Disney cruise ship. There was a lot of food on the ship. My brother bought a glass of lemonade that was \$5.00 and then I bought a small cupcake for \$7.00. How much did everything cost?  
*Rana, 1<sup>st</sup> grade*
6. I have \$25.00. I bought two notebooks that cost \$5.83 each. How much money do I have left?  
*Devin, 4<sup>th</sup> grade*
7. Leo got paid \$12.00 for walking dogs every day. How much money did he get for a week?  
*Sophie, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade*
8. If one dozen eggs cost \$2.50, how much would it cost to buy three dozen?  
*Ryan, 5<sup>th</sup> grade*
9. Jon gets \$40 a month for his allowance. How much does he get in two years?  
*Skylar, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade*
10. My mom gave Tyra \$20.00. She bought a game that cost \$10.50. How much money does Tyra have left?  
*Jamesha, 5<sup>th</sup> grade*

**Counting Your Change**

Christina has a one dollar bill to buy a set of tiny colored pencils which costs 78¢.

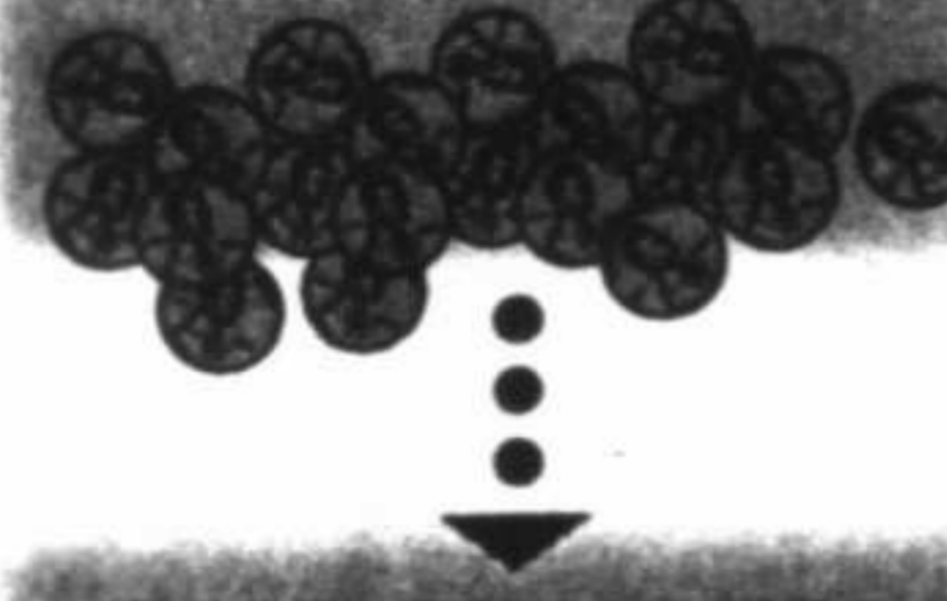


How much change will she get?

To figure this out, first count from 78 to 80. Because you are counting by 1s, circle a penny for each number.



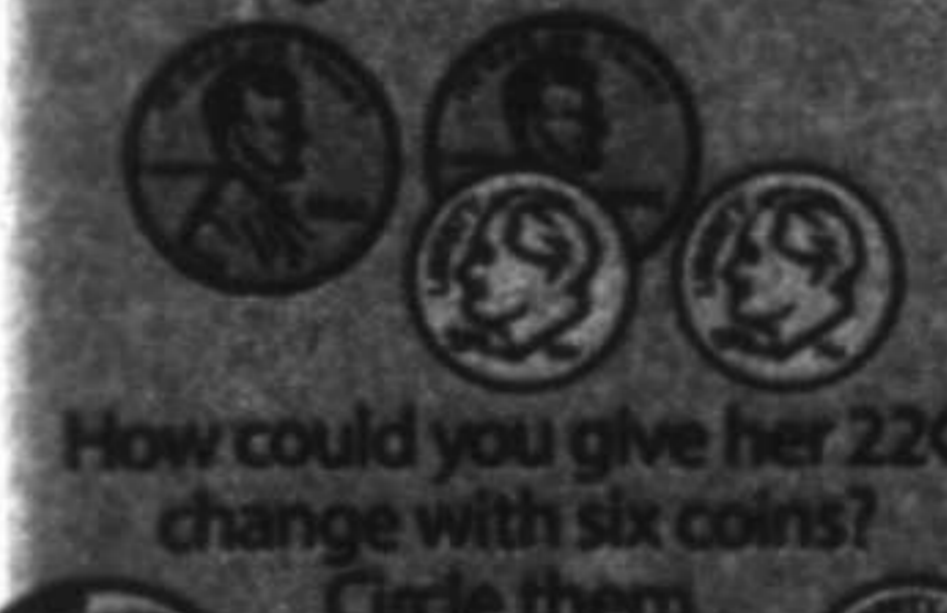
Now that you are at 80, counting by 1s to 100 would call for a lot of pennies to make change. You could do that, but most people like to get their change with a small number of coins.



Providing the rest of the change in dimes would mean counting by 10s. With the 2 pennies you are at 80, so with the next dime, you would be at 90. Another dime makes 100. Circle the 2 dimes to show the change you counted to get to \$1.00.



**CHALLENGE:** This shows how to give Christina her 22¢ in change with four coins.



How could you give her 22¢ change with six coins? Circle them.

**Change-Making Challenge**



Circle the change that Scott the store clerk needs to give each customer.

Mrs. Greene gives Scott \$3.00 to buy a ball for her dog. Circle her change in coins.



Justin gives Scott \$4.00 to buy a fidget spinner. Circle his change in coins.



Charlotte gives Scott \$5.00 for a flashlight. Circle her change.



**A Note to Parents**  
Work with your child on this activity. Try it with different money amounts. Use real coins. Learning to count change takes a lot of practice!

Which path adds up to 86¢?

**Extra! Extra! Prices in Order**  
Find five prices in today's newspaper. List the prices on the lines below from the lowest to the highest price.

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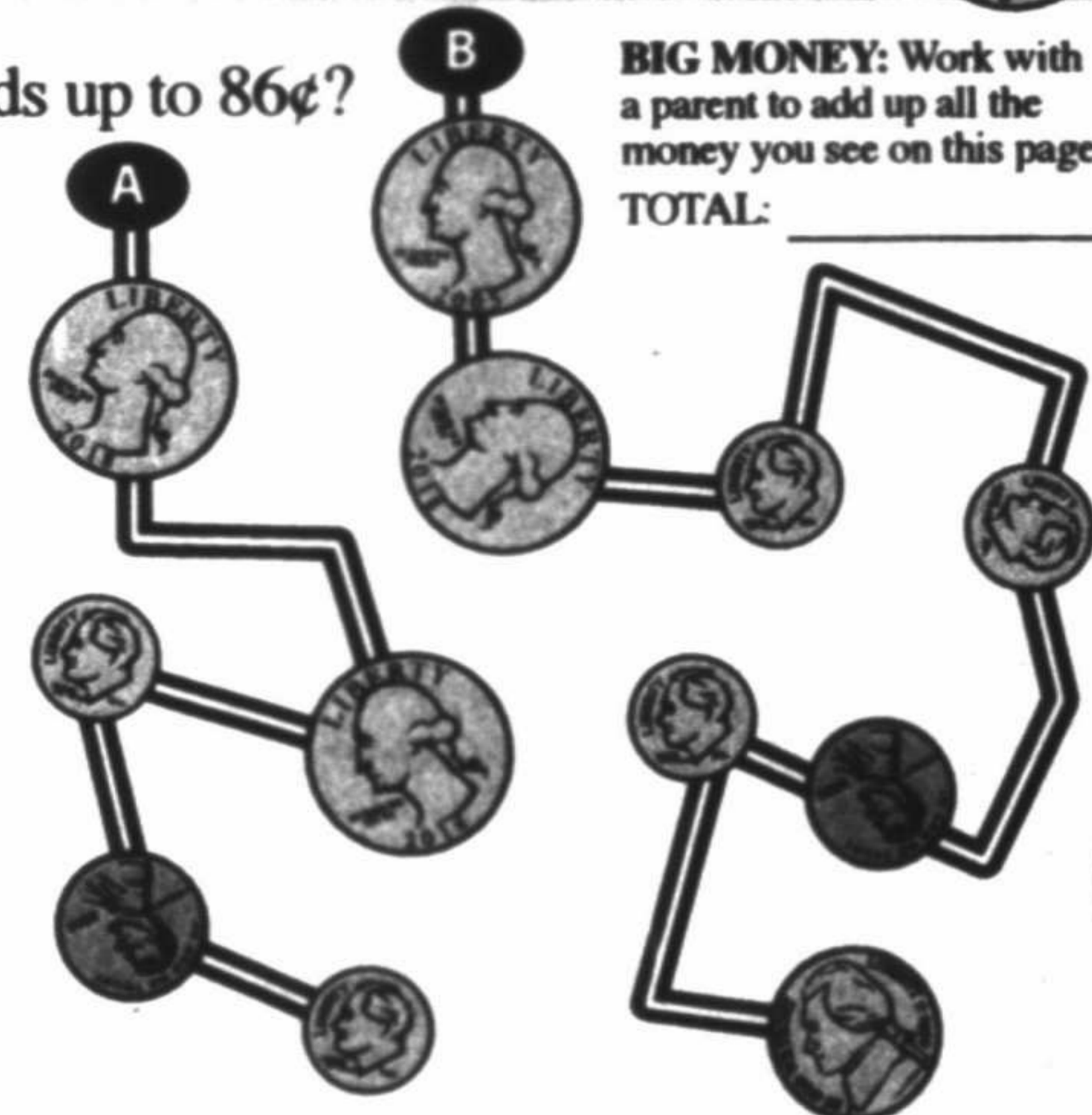
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Standards Link: Math: Calculating sums using money amounts.

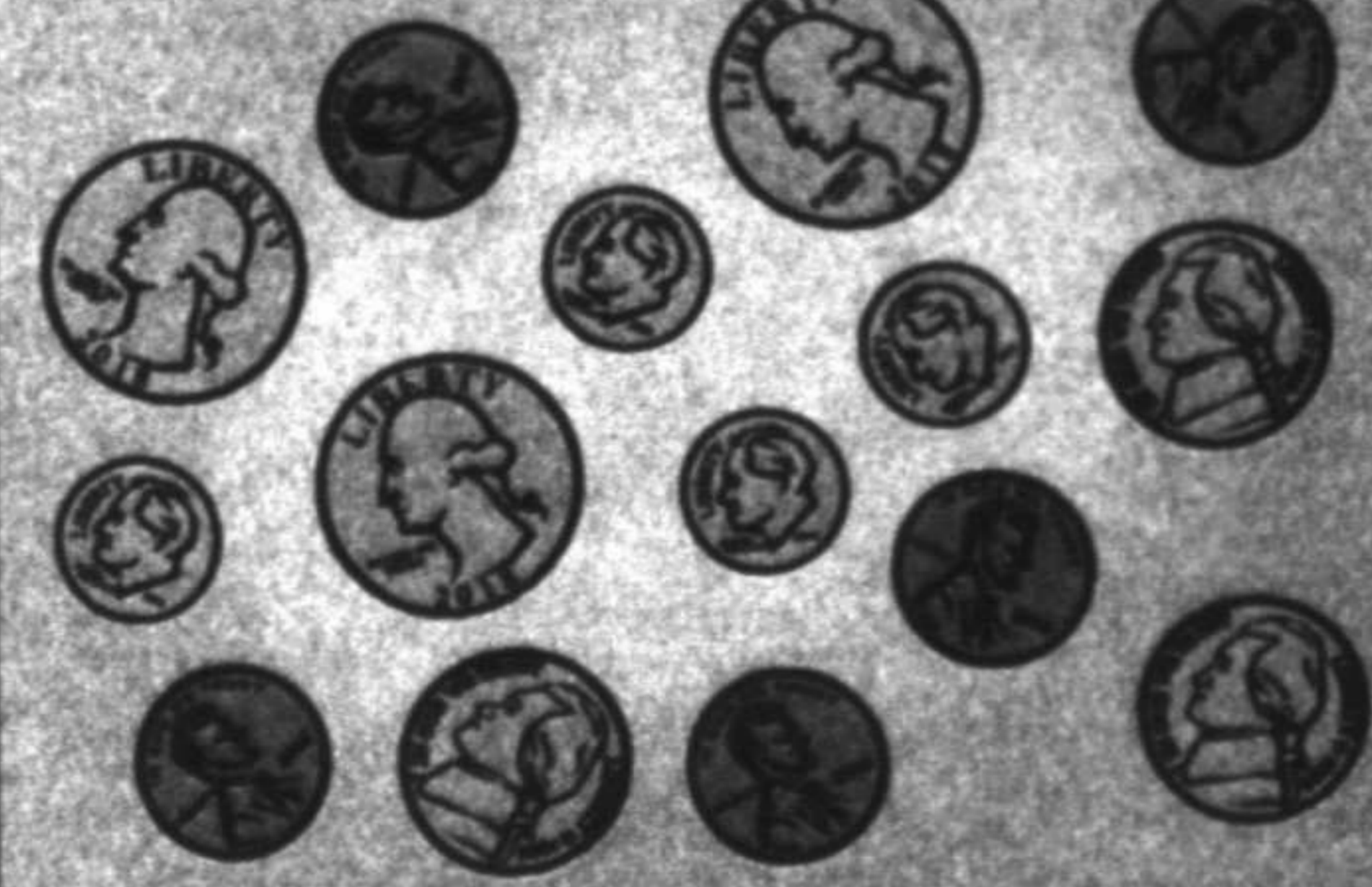


**BIG MONEY:** Work with a parent to add up all the money you see on this page.  
TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_

**Kid Scoop Puzzler**

**Money Mystery**

Adrian has seven coins that add up to 81¢. Which coins does he have? Circle them.



Standards Link: Math: Calculating sums using money amounts.

**Kid Scoop Word Search**

- CUSTOMER
- COUNTING
- QUARTERS
- PENNIES
- NUMBER
- CHANGE
- COINS
- DIMES
- CLERK
- PRICE
- MONEY
- SEVEN
- BILL
- BUY

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally.

S R E T R A U Q L H  
A C C N Y E N O M R  
P L O L G E B I E S  
E E I U E S E M I D  
N R N A N R O B U Y  
N K S E L T K L L N  
I O V U S B I L L N  
E E T U C H A N G E  
S E C I R P I N G G

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognizing identical words. Brain and scan reading. Pencil spelling patterns.

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**Count Them Up**

Find two prices in ads in today's newspaper. Which is the lowest price? Count, using coins from the lower to the higher price. Which coins would you use?

Standards Link: Math: Calculate sums and differences using money amounts.

**Why did the student eat the dollar bill?**

ANSWERS: He must have been too hungry.

**Write On!**

**My Book**

Imagine you could write a book for kids. What would be your topic? Who would be your main character? What would make other kids want to read your book?

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